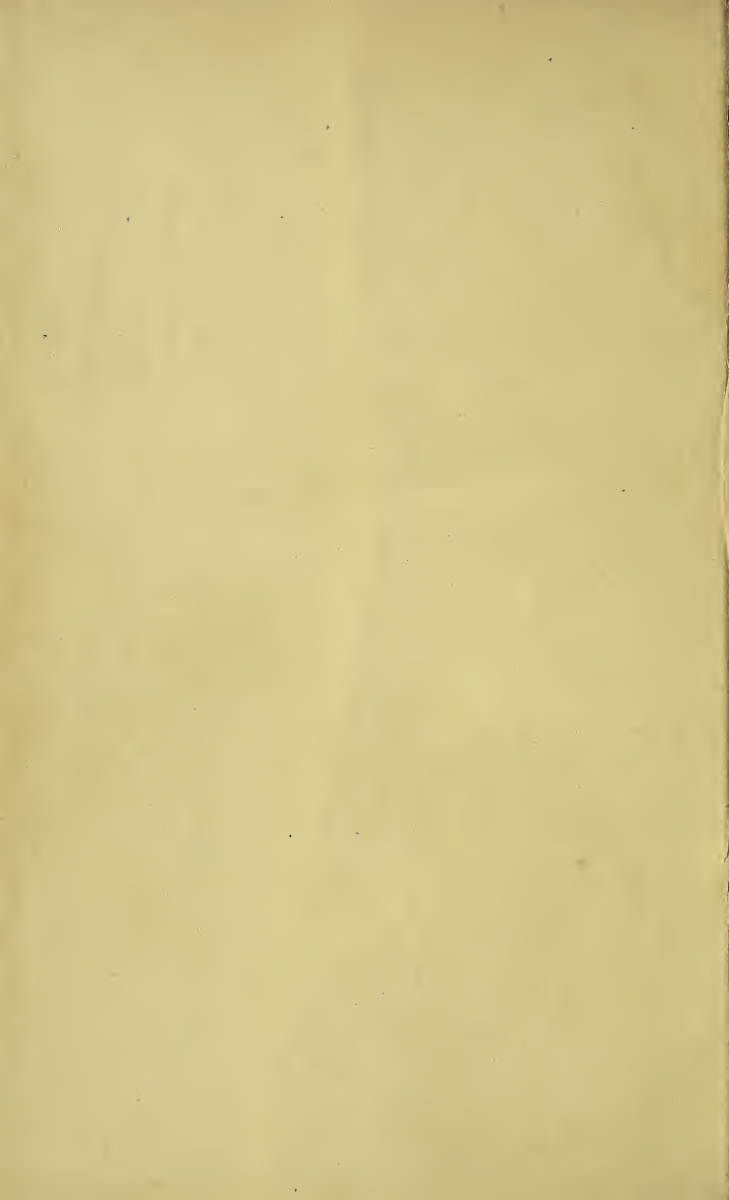


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ALSO, ONE HUNDED AND FORTY-ONE FLOWERS, WITH
THEIR SYMBOLIC LANGUAGE.

A GIFT BOOK FOR ALL SEASONS.

BY

MRS. SARAH C. CARTER.

A MOTHER'S name,—what thoughts arise
When'er we hear that sound!
A Sister's name,—ah, that we prize
Wherever it is found.
A daughter's name,—you'll find it here,
With that of wife,—than all more dear;
These names recall some joyous hours,
And here you'll find them linked with flowers.

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PREFACE.

NAMES were anciently chosen for their Significations, and such Significations can now be found only in ancient books, except a few in our family Bibles.

Authorities differ somewhat in their definitions of names,—in such cases the author has adopted the one which her own taste dictated; also in the Floral Emblems, she has pursued the same course. The authorities consulted for these, were — Flora's Interpreter, Flora's Lexicon, and Newman's Illustrated Botany.

It is hoped this simple, unpretending volume of Names, Flowers, and Sentiments, will prove an acceptable Gift-Book to all who bear a Lady's Name.

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Abigail. Abby.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Father's Joy.

EMBLEM Wild Sorrel.

SENTIMENT Paternal Love.

THANKS, thanks to thee, my daughter,
For all thy tender care ;
Thou cometh like the sunbeam
To chase away despair.

Though age has cast its shadows
Along thy father's way,
Thy smile of light and gladness
Is like a golden ray.

I bless thee, my dear daughter !—
Thy father's light and joy !
God bless thee too, my dearest,
With peace without alloy !

Abilene.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Mourning.

EMBLEM Pheasant's Eye.

SENTIMENT Sorrowful Remembrance.

SAY not that the ties of affection are riven,
 Although to the grave thy torn heart has resigned
 her ;

The mandate that called her freed spirit to heaven,
 But lengthened the ties that so fondly entwined her.

Then weep not for her,—she 's but passed on before thee
 To unite in the rapturous anthems above ;
 Where sweetly her harp with the ransomed in glory,
 Is attuned to the theme of redemption and love.

Ay! joy in the thought, that to her it was given,
 To escape from earth's snares to the home of the blest ;
 Good, good was the word that removed her to heaven,
 For this dark world of sorrow might not be her rest.

In that far "better land" where no sin can assail her,
 And beyond the dark vale, which her Saviour once
 trod,

Full glorious her rest—then no longer bewail her—
 'T is the rest that remains to the people of God.

—ANON.

Adeline.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Excellent

EMBLEM Camelia Japonica.

SENTIMENT Unpretending Excellence.

THE fruit of thy lips and the fruit of thy labor,
Is fraught with all good to thyself and thy neighbor ;

Excellence springs not in the pathway before us,
But results from good deeds, as time passes o'er us.
The Camelia conceals no thorn by its beauty ;
So thou, no wrong motive while doing thy duty.
This flower boasts no fragrance for the breezes of
morn ;

Thou desirest no praise through thy earthly sojourn ;
But for every good deed, and each gentle word,
In heaven, thou 'lt surely receive thy reward:

Adelaide.

SIGNIFICATION . . Princess.

EMBLEM Cardinal Flower.

SENTIMENT High Station does not confer Happiness.

THOUGH wealth around thee strew
 Jewels and splendor rare,
 Though costly flowers fill
 With fragrance all the air ;

Though servants on the wait,
 In humble servile fear ;
 Though flatterers call thee great,—
 And they may be sincere ;—

Hast never learned that splendor
 Can ne'er true joy impart ?
 Nor fragrance of sweet flowers
 Relieve a sadden'd heart ?

Nor faithful services
 Prevent disease and pain,
 Nor flattery's winning words
 Bring health to thee again ?

But if thy brow is twined
 With wreaths of love and peace,
 And if thy cultured mind
 To thee " a kindgom is ; "

Then high or low estate,
It matters not to thee ;
If mind and heart are great,—
These make thy destiny.

Adeliza.

SIGNIFICATION . . Nobleness.
EMBLEM Magnolia.
SENTIMENT Lofty Thoughts.

I LOVE to look upon thy brow
So lofty and so fair ;
The noble feelings of thy soul
Have placed their impress there.

I love to see thee firmly stand
Like rock 'mid ocean's wave ;
While error's surge is beating high,
Its fury thou dost brave.

Oh ne'er give up thy lofty aim ;
Thy noble purpose hold !
Thy high-born thoughts and noble deeds
Are wealth to thee untold.

Agnes.

SIGNIFICATION . . Modesty.

EMBLEM White Violet.

SENTIMENT Modesty.

NATURE bestowed on thee the charm
Which guides to good and guards from harm ;
The gift of Nature, not of Art,—
Which ever will retain the heart.

'Tis Modesty—the maiden's gem,
Worth more than costly diadem,
Or myrtle wreath, the meed of fame,
Or deaf'ning shouts of loud acclaim.

When youth has flown, and age appears,
When nearly through this vale of tears,
Thy modest worth, and noble mind,
Will still to thee all true hearts bind.

Alberta. Albertine.

SIGNIFICATION . . . All Bright.
EMBLEM Pyrus Japonica.
SENTIMENT Fairy's Fire.

SPARKLING and bright
Is thine eye of light,
Brightest of Eve's fair daughters ;
Gleamings of wit,
Oft flash from it,
Like sunbeams on the waters.

The rose has shed
On thy cheeks its red,
On thy neck is the lily's whiteness ;
Thy rounded arm
And graceful form,
Are fairy in their lightness.

With the morning bird
Thy voice is heard
In sweet melodious singing ;
And at twilight dim,
Thy cheerful hymn
On the silent air is ringing.

Thus pass the day
 In joy away
 Brightest of Eve's fair daughters !
 May sorrows fly
 Thy evening sky,
 Like mists from clear calm waters.



Alcesta.

SIGNIFICATION . . Kindness.

EMBLEM Valerian.

SENTIMENT Accommodating Disposition.

WE love thy kindly presence,
 When blessings make us glad ;
 Nor less sincere our welcome,
 When sorrow makes us sad.

For then thy cheerful kindness
 Our drooping spirits raise,
 And turns our lamentations
 To thankfulness and praise.

Thy smiles are like the sunshine,
 Enlivening all around,
 And in thy generous sympathy
 Is balm for sorrow's wound !

Aletheia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Truth.

EMBLEM White Crysanthemum.

SENTIMENT Truth needs no Protestation.

NAY, nay, my dear, speak not that word
And wake my dream of bliss !
Would'st have those pouting lips say, No,
The while thy eyes say yes ?

That tell-tale blush the truth reveals ;
Thy soul abhors deceit !
And when thou would'st thy thoughts conceal,
They to thine eyes retreat !

And there thy truthful soul shines out.
Undimmed, in every glance ;
The child-like frankness of thy heart,
All other charms enhance.

Remember love, thy truth has been
The pole-star of my soul ;
And should I ever wish to rove,
That star will still control.

Alfreda.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Peaceful.

EMBLEM Buck-Bean.

SENTIMENT Calm Repose.

WHILE all without is noise and strife,
Alfreda seeks repose
In the calm walks of quiet life,
From morn till evening's close.

The furious winds of passion's storm
In vain exert their power ;
Ambition, pride, and cruel scorn,
Dwell not within her bower.

Such come not near to her whose heart
Is filled with love and truth ;
Who consecrates to holy things
The early dew of youth.



Alice. Aliria.

SIGNIFICATION . . Noble.

EMBLEM Scarlet Lily.

SENTIMENT High-Souled.

HAUGHTINESS and vanity dwell not in thy high soul ; adulation seeks in vain a welcome to thine ear ; thou passes't on amid the crowd, uncontaminated by its heartless folly and noisy mirth. Pure thoughts and holy, dwell within thee ; upon thine ear fall no discordant notes,—sweetly attuned to Nature's voice, and listening only to the high and holy symphonies, such as angels might sing to answering angels in the choir of heaven.



Almeda.

SIGNIFICATION . . A Strain of Music.
 EMBLEM Bundle of Reeds.
 SENTIMENT Music.

HARK ! what silvery music
 Floateth on the air ?
 In accents softly stealing
 On my listening ear ?
 Ah ! 't is music from the heart ;
 'T is Almeda sings !
 How it echoes through the soul,
 Touching all its springs.

Now in softer, sweeter strains,
 Soothing every care ;
 Then in deeper swelling tones,
 Breathing praise and prayer ;—
 O, the soul-inspiring strains,
 Full of peace and love ;—
 How they gently waft the soul,
 To the world above.

N. S. T.

A m a n d a .

SIGNIFICATION . . . To Send Away.

EMBLEM Privet.

SENTIMENT Prohibition.

I SEND away the fleeting joys
Which earthly wealth can give,
And all the honors fame bestows,
While here on earth I live.

I would not wish to pay my vows
At Fashion's lordly shrine,
Or 'mid the circles of the proud,
I would not wish to shine.

I would not that my rich attire
Should dazzle every eye,
Or that its brilliancy excel
The gaudy butterfly.

These tempting joys, true happiness
I know can never bring ;
They only shine to lead astray
While time is on the wing.

But there are pleasures which I prize,
In value more than gold ;
Though unpretending they may be,
Their wealth is yet untold.

'T is in a quiet, humble life,
 Such solid peace I find,
 'T is with a heart resigned to God,—
 'T is a contented mind.

N. S. T.

A m h r y .

SIGNIFICATION Immortal.
 EMBLEMAmaranth.
 SENTIMENTImmortality.

HERE, the fairest flowers which bloom,
 Only blossom for the tomb ;
 And golden-tinted cloudlets fly,
 Like vapors from the summer sky.
 Thus vanishes the morning dew,
 Thus fades from sight the rainbow's hue,
 And all things lovely, fair, and gay,
 Appear a moment — then decay.

Christian ! in that world above,
 Where all is peace, and joy, and love,
 Immortal flowers, with fragrant breath,
 Forever bloom, and fear not death ;
 Immortal joys fill up the days,
 Immortal songs of sweetest praise,
 From every heart and lip ascend,
 And in harmonious chorus blend.

Amelia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Friendship.

EMBLEM Box.

SENTIMENT Constancy in Friendship.

THERE'S beauty in the morning dew
That gems each leaf and spray ;
But when beneath the sun's bright beams,
It soon will pass away.

And sweet the songs that greet the ear
From birds at dawn of day ;
They fill our hearts with cheerfulness,—
But soon they pass away.

The fragrance sweet of buds and flowers
We meet where'er we stray ;
We love their silent influence,
But soon they pass away.

We love the sunbeams of the morn,
And they cheer us all the day ;
True friendship, constant like the sun,
Will never pass away.

A m i n a . A m y .

SIGNIFICATION . . A Friend.

EMBLEM Ivy.

SENTIMENT I have found one true heart.

WHEN love with fortune changed,
And false friends fled afar,
Thou true to me remained,
Like yon bright evening star.

Blest be the star so bright
That shone around my way,
And by its lucid light
Turned darkness into day.

The thick and sombre clouds
Hid not thy gentle flame ;
They strove thy light to shroud,—
It still shone on the same.

May naught e'er dim the star
That cheered this heart of mine ;
And may some friendly orb
So bless both thee and thine.

Angela. Angelina. Angelica.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Messenger, an Angel.

EMBLEM Rose Campion.

SENTIMENT Love's Messengers.

My sister dear!
 To thee kind wishes now we bring,
 Warm, gushing from affection's spring; —
 Thy bridal day
 Has dawned, — O, wilt thou, sister, take
 And keep it, fondly, for my sake,
 This sweet bouquet?

My sister dear!
 When thou art absent, far away,
 Will not the flowers of this bouquet
 Bid sad thoughts come?
 Of parted loved ones will it tell,
 And the blest spot ye love so well,
 Our early home?

Yes, sister dear!
 Though faded, — withered it may be,
 Full many a tale 't will tell to thee,
 Of happy hours;
 When in merry childish glee,
 We plucked the flowers beneath the tree
 And called them ours.

Ah! sister dear!
 Those same loved flowers grow there yet,—
 The pink, the rose, and mignonette,
 With violets near;
 O, when thou'rt gone, in lonely hours,
 I'll love and guard those favorite flowers
 To memory dear.

N. S. T.

Ann. Anna. Annie.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Gracious, One who gives.

EMBLEM Bonus Henricus.

SENTIMENT Goodness.

WE know thou art benevolent,
 Sweet Annie, by thy smile,
 Which shows a heart that's true and good,
 Not false and full of guile.

There are some treacherous smiles, Annie,
 Which charm, but to beguile;
 We know that thine is true, Annie,
 But beware of the flatterer's smile!

Thou art "one who gives," Annie,
 Oh, give thy heart to me!
 And with thy heart thy hand, Annie;
 Then I'll most happy be.

Aphix.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Fruitful.

EMBLEM Hollyhock.

SENTIMENT Fruitful.

WORDS are the leaves, and deeds the fruit,
Which to us shows the heart — the root ;
Good deeds proclaim the deep, rich soil,
Which sends forth prayers, and gifts, and toil.

Some hearts there are quite full of faith,
But heed not what the Scripture saith,
That faith, alone, no good will do,
But works must have a part there, too.

Love, joy, and peace, a happy band,
With meakness, truth, go hand in hand ;
While mercy, faith, and charity,
Produce the fruits we love to see.



Arabella.

SIGNIFICATION . . Fair Altar.

EMBLEM Red Tulip.

SENTIMENT Declaration of Love

LADY, at thine altar fair,
I my love to thee declare,
Sueing for the heart and hand
Of the fairest in the land ;
Wilt thou go with me to dwell,
Fair and lovely Arabell ?

Lady, at thy gentle shrine
Bows this faithful heart of mine ;
With my heart, my wealth I bring ;
Take, O, take my offering !
Wilt thou go with me to dwell,
Sweet and lovely Arabell ?

Lady, take this proffered ring ;
At thy feet myself I fling ;
On thy cheek the blushes rise,—
Humid drops are in thine eyes,—
Thou wilt go with me to dwell,
Dearest, dearest Arabell !

Arctus.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Fountain.
 EMBLEM White Periwinkle.
 SENTIMENT Pleasures of Memory.

MEM'RY'S a fountain from which there springs
 Sweet visions of our youth,
 Of those loved ones whose hearts were filled
 With love and joy and truth.

Sweet the remembrance of the past,
 Of friends and friendship's hours,
 Of lovely ones who've passed away
 To the land of fadeless flowers.

Sweet to recall their looks and tones,
 The songs they sung of yore, —
 The pleasant walks in shady groves, —
 The books of ancient lore :—

Which oft our pleasant hours employed ;
 And converse sad or gay,
 Just as youth's spirit prompted us ;—
 Those hours have passed away !

Yet Mem'ry brings them back again,
 Those happy, youthful hours !
 And fragrance sweet exhales therefrom,
 As oft from withered flowers.

A s e n t h.

—

SIGNIFICATION . . Misfortune.

EMBLEM Aloe.

SENTIMENT Think not the Almighty wills one idle
pang, one needless tear.

—

DESPAIR not, though dark be the cloud,
“ Behind is the sun still shining ; ”
Thou seest but its gloomy side,
“ Each cloud hath a silver lining.”

Look through the clouds to Him beyond,
And cease thy wrong repining ;
Although the cloud to thee seems dark,
Yet, “ The cloud hath a silver lining.”

The Lord wills not one idle pang,
One needless tear designing ;
When gloomy darkness reigns around,
“ Each cloud hath a silver lining.”

Oh, thou to whom afflictions come,
And leave thee sad and pining ;
Remember well this pleasant truth,
“ Each cloud hath a silver lining.”

Aspasin.

SIGNIFICATION . . Beautiful and Learned.
EMBLEM Pomegranate Flower.
SENTIMENT Mature and Beautiful.

WHEN sweet budding Spring and blooming Summer have forever passed, not long does soft, fresh beauty linger on the cheek of Autumn ; yet, beauty of another kind, brilliant and deep and gorgeous, presents itself to our admiring gaze, and wins its way to our own inmost hearts.

Thus she who spends the bright Spring and Summer of existence, in gathering and treasuring within her expanding mind, the pure gems of wisdom, — will in Autumn prove wisely beautiful.

Such beauty fades not as fades the flowers, but grows more glorious and attractive as the Winter of age approaches ; then when freed from earth's enfoldings, it blooms forever fadeless in immortal gardens.



Atalanta.

SIGNIFICATION . . Swift Runner.

EMBLEM Mistletoe.

SENTIMENT I surmount all difficulties.

I LOVE to roam over the mountain,
Or to sit by the flowing fountain,
Where waters dash wildly and free ;
I love the rude whirlwind's rushing,
I love the cataract's gushing ;
All this is pleasure to me.

Now loudly the thunder is roaring,
In torrents the rain-storm is pouring,
And the lightning's flashing wild ;
I love in such stormy weather
Swiftly to bound o'er the heather,
For I am Nature's child.



Augusta.

SIGNIFICATION . . Grandeur.

EMBLEM Dahlia.

SENTIMENT Elegance and dignity.

THOUGH noble thy station, fair girl,
And diamonds encircle thy brow,
Though decked with bright jewels and pearl,
Art happy? Say, happy art thou?

Though robes that are costly and rare,
Fall gracefully over thy form,—
Is thy bosom less burdened with care?
Are thy feelings more genial and warm?

Ah! no; we well know that thy heart
Loves not the false splendors of wealth;
To thy bosom no joy they impart;
To thy cheek, not the blooming of health.

Make friends of thy treasures, fair girl!
Strew blessings around in thy way,
And seek for thyself the rich pearl
That ne'er will grow dim or decay.

Barren.

SIGNIFICATION . . Stranger.

EMBLEM American Starwort.

SENTIMENT Welcome to a Stranger.

Be kind to the stranger !
No words can express
His heart-aches and sadness,
And deep loneliness ;
When thoughts of sweet home
Are thronging his mind,
Your kindness and sympathy,
Oh ! let him e'er find.

Be kind to the stranger !
His feelings wound not ;
Think thou that sometime
Such may be thy lot ;
Should'st thou wander afar
From thy friends and thy home,
Thou'lt pity the stranger
Who is destined to roam.

Bathsheba.

SIGNIFICATION .. Seventh Daughter.

EMBLEM Cinque Foil.

SENTIMENT Beloved Daughter.

How blessed and how beautiful a mother's love! How sweet the interchange of affection between mother and daughter! There is nothing this side of Heaven, more beautiful than the sweet dew of love, shed from a mother's soul, upon the budding flower, — the fresh young heart of a daughter. It is like the sparkling drops which silently descend to refresh and invigorate the rose, remain a moment there, — then exhale to heaven. Thus within the recesses of a heart, which receives gratefully the gentle, holy instructions of a revered parent, sweetest drops of filial love are gathered, which purify the soul; then they are borne by angels to the high court of Heaven, as an offering meet, acceptable to Him, who, when on earth a wanderer, honored his mother through life's varied scenes, and spake to her sweet words of consolation, even in death's dark hour.

Bentrice.

SIGNIFICATION . . One who blesses, or makes happy.

EMBLEM Snowdrop.

SENTIMENT I am not a Summer Friend.

WHEN winter approaches,
The summer bird flies,
To far distant lands,
To sunnier skies.

When sorrow o'ertakes us,
False friends fly away ;
The true-hearted remain
Till a happier day.

Like the beautiful snowdrop,
So pure and so white,
They enliven the day,
And cheer the dark night.



Bertha.

SIGNIFICATION . . Brave, Famous.

EMBLEM Crown Imperial.

SENTIMENT Power without Goodness.

I CARE not what the world may say
Of wealth, and birth, and fame ;
If virtue, truth, are wanting there,
All else is but a name.

Your praise may echo far and wide,
O'er mountain, hill, and dell ;
I'd sooner win a lowlier bride,
Who'd love me long and well.

Your haughty rule I will not bear ;
I tell you now — I'm free !
For a long time your slave I've been —
I will no longer be !

Beauty oft wins the heart of man,
And fascinates his soul ;
But when he finds no goodness there
He scorns the base control !

BESSY. Betsy.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Blessed.

EMBLEM Everlasting.

SENTIMENT Always Remembered.

THE blessings of the poor
 Of those who are in need,
 Shall rest upon thy head,
 For every generous deed ;
 For sympathy's kind tear,
 For those who're in distress,
 For recalling absent hope
 To brighten and to bless ;
 For pointing them to Heaven
 For comfort and for joy,
 They'll bless thee with their love,—
 True love without alloy.



Bethia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Daughter of the Lord.

EMBLEM Rush.

SENTIMENT Docility.

BLEST art thou by such a Father,
 Humble "Daughter of the Lord;"
 May thy thoughts, and words, and actions,
 With his Divine commands accord.

May the graces of his Spirit,
 Ever lovely, fill thy heart;
 May its influence, constant, active,
 Help thee to perform thy part.

Ever kind, and ever giving,
 Nought can overcome thy love;
 Ever merciful and faithful,
 Like to Him who rules above.

Like to Christ, thou doest good
 To the ignorant and lowly;
 Cheer the sick, and raise the faint,
 Teach them to be pure and holy.

B e n e d i c t .

SIGNIFICATION . . Married.

EMBLEM Saffron.

SENTIMENT Marriage.

THE words are all spoken,
 Thy lips breathe the vow,
 Youth's ties are all broken,
 Thou must go with him now.
 Unto him thou hast given
 Thy affection and truth,—
 E'en the name is abandoned
 Thou hast borne in thy youth.

Loved father's protection,
 Fond mother's caress,
 Thy sister's affection,
 Though thou lov'st them no less,—
 All these could not stay thee,
 When thy heart bids thee go,
 With him who has won thee,—
 His truth thou shalt know.

Thy smile in his dwelling
 Like sunlight will shine;
 Thy heart round thy husband,
 Its tendrils will twine.

Thy youthful affection
 Will bless all his hours,
 And oft prove refreshing,
 Like soft summer showers.

Birch.

SIGNIFICATION . . An Evil
 EMBLEM Barberry.
 SENTIMENT Sour-tempered.

WHY that frown upon thy brow?
 Why cross looks, and crosser words?
 Knowest thou not such looks and tones
 Pierce the heart like two-edged swords?

Scolding never does thee good,
 Ne'er brings comfort to thy heart;
 And when in a furious mood,
 Like a demon sure thou art.

Sad and sullen wilt thou be?
 Knowest thou not that, too, is wrong?
 Well! whatever else I hear—
 Save me from a woman's tongue!

Blanch.

SIGNIFICATION . . Fair.

EMBLEM Gilliflower.

SENTIMENT She is fair.

SOME praise a lovely form,
Some, beauty of the face;
The beauty of the soul
Is woman's truest grace.

The fair and noble brow,
The lips of vermeil hue,
The cheeks of tinted rose,
And eyes of heavenly blue,—

A form of Venus mould,
A hand so small and white,
A foot of perfect form,
And step like fairy's, light.

Such beauties we admire,
Yet soon they fade away!
But loveliness of soul
Will never know decay.

Candace.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Conitriou.

EMBLEM Yew.

SENTIMENT Sorrow.

THE bright days of childhood and youth have departed,

When madly from duty I wandered astray ;
Now weeping and lonely and all broken-hearted,
I sigh for the days I have wasted away ;
O ! could they return with what earnest devotion
I'd seek for the pathway of virtue and truth ;
But vainly I struggle with tearful emotion,—
I cannot recall the lost days of my youth.

Return, gentle hope, pour thy balm on my sorrow,

And say there is peace for the penitent mind,
Though dark be my night, joy shall dawn on the morrow,

And the humble in heart sweet forgiveness shall find.

ANON.

Caroline.

SIGNIFICATION . . Brave, Valiant.

EMBLEM Oak-leaf

SENTIMENT Bravery and Humanity.

TAKE courage, gentle Caroline,
Be valiant for the truth ;
What higher, holier mission
Could be given to thy youth ?
Though the teacher's task be thankless,
Though folly at thee sneer,
And Envy lend to Slander
A willing, list'ning ear ;—
Let not such malice daunt thee,
Thy talents well improve,
Let thy motto be "Excelsior,"
And firmly onward move.
Then, courage, gentle Caroline !
Thou art valiant for the truth ;
No higher, holier mission
Could be given to thy youth.

CASSANDRA.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Foreseeing.

EMBLEM Holly.

SENTIMENT Foresight.

THOU lookest to the future,
What seest thou there?
Bright gleanings of hope,
Or dark clouds of despair?

It's well we know not
What the future will bring,
From anticipation
Many pleasant thoughts spring.

And while we are dreaming,
Dark clouds may arise,
And hide from our vision
The bright summer skies.

Our dream then is over,—
It has given us bliss,
And strength for the future
Whatever it is.

If fancy portrays
Naught but visions of woe,
No glimmer of hope,
Should we ever here know.

We know that the future
 May not be to us bright,—
 Let us trust in our God,
 And all will be right.

Catharine.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Pure.

EMBLEM White Water-Lilly.

SENTIMENT Purity and Beauty.

PURITY dwells in thy meek blue eye,
 As in the cloudless summer sky;
 Thy soft, kind words, and sunny smile,
 Tell of a heart that's free from guile.

No dark thoughts rise in thy gentle soul,
 No sinful emotions there hold control;
 Thy face is a mirror, calm and bright,
 Showing thy heart in its own pure light.

No shadows there from sins of earth;
 Thy soul must be of heavenly birth;
 So lovely, nought earth-born can be,
 So full of sweet simplicity.

Charlotte.

SIGNIFICATION . . Valiant Spirited.

EMBLEM Hepatica.

SENTIMENT Confidence.

ART sure art thou right? 't is pleasure to see,
A spirit so light, so bounding and free.
Put forth all thy strength and thine energy too ;
Then calm perseverance will carry thee through.

Thy firm, dauntless step, and thy confident eye,
Shows much moral power on which to rely ;
Onward and upward, let thy motto be,
From all sordid cares, this will set thy soul free.

Manifold duties like mountains arise,
For their fulfilment seek help from the skies.
Look upward to Heaven,— not down to the sod !
Confide in thyself, and trust in thy God.

Thy life may be short,— thy bravery prove,
By firmly performing thy labors of love ;
If soon they are finished, soon thou wilt go home,
And receive thy reward for duties well done.

Chloe.

SIGNIFICATION . Green Herb.

EMBLEM Evergreen Thorn.

SENTIMENT Solace in Adversity

WHEN sorrow's clouds above us roll,
And all around is dark and drear,
How sweet the sympathy of soul,
Which greets us then from friends sincere.

When wandering lone some stormy night,
We look for some bright, friendly star,
Not e'en a raylet meets our sight,
To guide us to our home afar.

At length we see one pitying cloud
Rend her ethereal veil apart,
And there, behind the misty shroud,
A star peeps forth to glad the heart.

Ah! then we find our homeward path,
And with light step pursue our way;
The star of hope and holy faith,
Will never lead our feet astray.

Thus Chloe comes like that bright star,
When wandering lone in sorrow's night;
Her smile of love disperses far,
The clouds which gathered o'er our sight.

Her cheerful words and soothing voice,
 Come to our hearts like angel-strains,
 And bid us in our God rejoice,
 For He will make all bright again.

Christina.

SIGNIFICATION . . Christ's Messenger.

EMBLEM Iris.

SENTIMENT Message.

SEND thy message through the earth,
 To every land, o'er every sea,
 "Peace on earth, good will to men,"
 Then shall come the jubilee.

Then shall war, and vice, and crime,
 All be banished from our earth;
 All shall learn these truths sublime,
 In palace hall, by cottage hearth.

Go, thou messenger of Christ,
 Let thy words His precepts teach,
 And by pure example, too,
 His blessed Gospel ever preach.

Ciseline.

SIGNIFICATION .. Short Sighted.

EMBLEM Musk, Crow-foot.

SENTIMENT Weakness.

I GREET in song that sweetest one
 Whom I can ne'er forget,
 Though many a day is past and gone
 Since face to face we met.
 Who sings this votive song for me,
 A man or woman, he or she,
 To her, my absent one shall welcome be.

 Kindoms and lands are nought to me,
 When with her presence weighed ;
 And when her face no more I see,
 My power and greatness fade ;
 Then of my wealth I reckon none,
 But sorrow only for mine own ;
 Rising and falling thus, my life moves on.

CHARLES II.



Clara. Clarissa.

SIGNIFICATION . . Clear, Bright.

EMBLEM White Pink.

SENTIMENT Fair and Fascinating.

GLITTERING things there are of earth,
That prove to be of little worth ;
Brightly as pure gold shine they,
Luring us from truth away.

Pleasure fascinates the soul,
And reason bows to her control ;
Wit, which flashes like a spark,
Dazzles, and then leaves us dark.

But we know that Clara's face,
Mirror's forth a soul of grace ;
She is like a diamond bright,
Sending out the purest light.

Clearly does a light divine
All along her pathway shine ;
Teaching us our lives were given
To prepare our souls for Heaven.

Clementine.

SIGNIFICATION . . Mild-tempered.

EMBLEM Clematis.

SENTIMENT Mental Excellence.

No lines of beauty can we trace
In thy sweet, quiet, placid face ;
No rosy cheeks, no sparkling eyes,
Present themselves for beauty's prize.

No costly gems entwine thy hair ;
Upon thy neck no jewels rare ;
Though simply clad in lowly guise,
Thou art quite lovely in our eyes.

The ornament which thou dost wear,
With which no other can compare,
Is thy sweet temper, quiet, meek,
Which God himself has bid thee seek.

And in his sight, 'tis of more worth,
Than all the richest gems of earth ;
Their dazzling beauty time may mar,—
Thine will shine ever, like a star.

Constance.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Constancy.

EMBLEM Blue Hyacinth.

SENTIMENT Constancy in Love

“CONSTANCE, dear, my fortune's gone,
I cannot claim my bride.
Life's road I'll walk all sad and lone,
Without you by my side.

“Five hundred pounds ! I've lost it all !
And am a ruined man ;
Alone, alone, I'll stand or fall,—
I will not claim your hand.”

“I'm glad you need five hundred pounds,”
The maiden laughing said ! —
The lover's wonder was profound !
He sadly thus replied : —

“Is this your bosted love for me ?
How have I been deceived !
That you would laugh at misery,
I never would believe.”

“I'm glad you need five hundred pounds,”
And the maiden laughed anew,
“This riddle now I will expound,—
Then say if I am false to you.

“ My fortune’s large ; five thousand pounds
 Is nought for me to give ;
 My wealth of love still more abounds,—
 Wilt now my hand receive ? ”

Cornelia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Enduring.

EMBLEM Cornelian Cherry Tree.

SENTIMENT Durability.

SUFFERINGS various, have been thy lot,
 Yet one repining word escaped thee not.
 Sickness on thy frail form has laid its hand,
 And oft has kept thee from the social band.
 Reason has wavered, fallen from her throne,
 And thou with wayward fancy left alone.
 Thou too hast suffered from the loss of friends,
 And nought on earth, for them, can make amends.
 Thy heart was given to one in early youth,
 Who but deceived and mocked thy trusting truth.
 Yet trials all of body, heart and mind,
 Have left thee calm, and cheerfully resigned.
 Enduring all with patience, lowly, sweet,
 And humbly leaning at the Saviour’s feet ;
 Woman’s enduring nature sure is thine,
 Which bears so much with patience so refined.

Cynthia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Chaste.

EMBLEM Lilly of the Valley.

SENTIMENT Delicacy.

WHERE shall we an emblem find,
A match for Cynthia's form and mind?
Will the rose of radiant hue,
Of her mind be emblem true?

Will the pink in varied dress
Half express her loveliness?
Can the gorgeous Tulip be
Emblem of her modesty?

No type of Cynthia can we see
In Dahlia's pride and dignity;
What lovely flowers, then, shall we find,
An emblem true of her pure mind?

The lovely Lilly of the vale,
With fairy bells, so snowy pale,
Blooming alone in shady dell,—
This flower will symbolize her well.

Daphne.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Laurel.

EMBLEM A Laurel.

SENTIMENT Oh ! What a goodly outside
falsehood hath !

THE girl whose heart is all deceit
Is not the girl for me ;
Though eyes shine bright, and lips smile sweet,
I from the false one flee.
For well I know her treach'rous arts
To conquer and to break men's hearts,—
A belle is not for me.

The beauty many prize so high
Is not the kind for me ;
My heart it will not satisfy,
Face and soul oft disagree ;
But when there's loveliness of heart,
Which to the face its charms impart,
Then there's the girl for me !



Deborah.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Bee

EMBLEM Broomcorn.

SENTIMENT Industry.

BROOMCORN the emblem of industry rare
Has modesty's mien, and a busy air ;
What art thou doing, young Deborah, say ?
Sweeping the cobwebs of error away ?

Removing the dust from thy busy brain ?
Dismissing Folly with her silly train ?
No idle intruders must tarry here now ;
I plainly can see by the frown on thy brow.

Aye! sweep away, maiden, then shalt thou see,
How a beautiful soul of purity,
Can overcome error, and falsehood, too,
By loving only the good and the true.

Pure thoughts and sweet fancies shall dwell with
thee ;
Thy mind shall ever be noble and free ;
If thou 'lt search for truth, and its rich fruits glean,—
Sweep away, Deborah! make thy heart clean.

Delia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Brave.

EMBLEM Nasturtium.

SENTIMENT . . . Honor to the Brave.

WILLINGLY we honor the brave spirit, who meets unshrinkingly life's great duties, and with all her armor on, walks boldly forth to victory. Her shield and breastplate virtue; modesty her guard; holy faith her watch-word. Thus protected she fears not the assaults of folly, vice, and crime; she guards the citadels of her heart, with such assiduous care, that no lurking foe can there gain access.

When temptation comes in any form, it is bravely met, and surely conquered. All life's varied ills are borne with fortitude invincible; and when life's last struggle is over, the spirit which thus has gained a victory, shall wear a conqueror's crown, and reign forever in that blessed land, which the Almighty King grants to those, who on the great battle-field of life, have overcome the enemies of truth, and love, and holiness.

Demaris.

SIGNIFICATION . . Little Woman.

EMBLEM Wild Rose.

SENTIMENT Simplicity.

DEMARIS, to what can we compare
Thy form and face and gentle air?
To the simple, sweet, wild rose,
The most fragrant flower that blows?
To the nightingale that sings,
Sweetest of the birds of spring?
To the little busy bee,
Emblem of neat industry?
Gathering her golden store
To feast upon when summer's o'er;
To a small but precious stone,
Whose real worth is all unknown?
To the pearl which lies asleep
Beneath the waves of ocean deep?
Like unto a gem thou art,—
Happy he, who wins thy heart!

Dinnn. Diantln.

SIGNIFICATION . . Luminous.

EMBLEM Superb Lily

SENTIMENT Splendor.

THE sun in splendor rises
 To bless us with its light ;
 He sets in splendor richer,
 When coming is the night.

The evening stars shine o'er us,
 With brightness all their own,
 While Luna's gentle presence
 Fills her majestic throne,—

And sheds her beams of silver
 Like light from beauty's eyes ;
 She lights the lovely valleys
 And the o'er-arching skies.

Alas! that all this beauty
 Is borrowed! every ray
 Reflected here so sweetly,
 Shines from the King of day.

So those who worship beauties,
 Will learn this lesson soon ;
 Some shine with borrowed splendor,
 As ever does the moon.

DORR.

SIGNIFICATION . . A Gift, a Present.

EMBLEM Mountain Ash.

SENTIMENT A Talisman.

BLOSSOMS rich and rare,
Bright with pearly dew,
For you, my lady fair,
I've call'd for you!

Hopes ever fondly twine
Round thee when I'm afar,
For thou dost ever shine,
My constant star.

Sweeter than the rose,
The mem'ry of thy love;
My heart with rapture glows
Like that above.

This gift, O fair one take!
It doth my heart betray,
And prize it for my sake
When far away.

N. S. T.

Dorothy.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Gift of God.

EMBLEM Laurustinus.

SENTIMENT A Token.

“THE gift of God !” what favors have we,
Which are not sent us from above ?
Every good and welcome blessing,
A token is, of our Father’s love.

Joyous Spring in youthful beauty,
Comes to greet us with her smiles ;
Summer’s sweet and lovely flowers
Win our hearts, and care beguiles.

Autumn with her golden harvests,
Fills our hearts with gratitude ;
Winter comes with social blessings,
And loudly sings, God’s gifts are good.

Above, beneath, around, within,
We share his blessings day by day ,
Oh ! may we learn His praise to sing,
Nor cast His precious love away.

Caith.

SIGNIFICATION . . Happy.

EMBLEM Bridal Rose

SENTIMENT Happy Love.

THERE is a flower, whose petals bright,
Ope'd when our eyes first saw the light;
No blasting winds, no storms can move,
This blessed flower — a Mother's Love.

Another bud fast swelled to birth,
And flung its fragrance sweet o'er earth;
That flower to us a friend oft proves,—
The blossom of Fraternal Love.

Another still, go search around
For this sweet bud; 't is seldom found;
The flowers of Friendship, faithful, true,
In sorrow's hour it blooms for you.

There is a flower, than this more fair,
Which breathes its sweetness on the air;
Its fragrant breath can warm the heart,
And deepest joy to it impart.

This sacred flower is — Wedded Love,
And sent to mortals from above;
Oh, kindly, gently guard this flower
With tender care, from hour to hour.

If watched with care, 't will ever bloom
 Along thy pathway to the tomb ;
 And should death here its tendrils sever,
 Renewed in Heaven, 't will bloom forever.

E w i n n a .

SIGNIFICATION . . Winning Happines.

EMBLEM Crocus.

SENTIMENT Gladness.

Ah, thou merry little sprite,
 Laughing, dancing with delight ;
 Happiest of happy girls,
 With bright eyes and silken curls.

Had'st thou wings thou sure would'st fly
 Like the bird in yonder sky ;
 Would'st sing forth a joyous lay,
 And fly, singing, all the day.

Chasing bees, thou merry elf ?
 Would'st get honey for thyself ? —
 Gather it from every flower ;
 Thus enjoy life's sunny hour.

“Winning happiness,” art thou ? —
 May no cloud came o'er thy brow ;
 May life's sunshine make thee glad,
 And no storms e'er make thee sad.

Soon will Summer days be past ;
 Soon to thee will come the last ;
 Then thou'lt fly on angel's wing,
 And in Heaven with angels sing.

Eleanor.

SIGNIFICATION . . Fruitful.
 EMBLEM Wheat.
 SENTIMENT . . . Prosperity, Riches.

WHAT doest thou with boundless wealth ?
 Can it bring content and health ?
 Can riches free thee from distress,
 Or ensure true happiness ?

If riches have been given thee,
 Truly grateful should'st thou be ;
 They may many a joy impart,
 But cannot buy a feeling heart.

Thou can'st not on thy wealth rely,—
 Oft it taketh wings to fly ;
 Wisely dispense thy precious store,
 And gain the blessings of the poor.

Electa.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Chosen.

EMBLEM Peach Blossom.

SENTIMENT Here I fix my Choice.

“HERE I fix my choice,” Electa,
Here confess my love to thee ;
Can I gain so rich a treasure
As thy love would bring to me ?

Though life’s path is strewn with roses,
There, too, thorns spring wild and free ;
Yet I’ll walk this thorny pathway
Bravely,—if thou’lt go with me.

I will not tell thee all is radiant,
For dark days will surely come ;
But with mutual faith and kindness,
Love will light the darkest home.



Eliza. Elizabeth.

SIGNIFICATION . . . God hath sworn.

EMBLEM Blue Violet.

SENTIMENT Faithfulness.

THOU tender object of my early love,
How shall I all my grateful homage prove ?
Thy young affection saved my erring youth,
How could I stray, when all thy soul was truth ?

When bright prosperity, with swelling tide,
Had filled my cup, and all my wants supplied ;
My prospects fair, serene, without a cloud,—
Thy sweet injunction came, “ O be not proud ! ”

And when revenge and malice sought to wrong,
And bore me from the home I 'd loved so long,
Thou still went with me, and thy tender hand
Was more to me than arms of martial band.

And thus through life, in sickness and in health ;
In poverty and want, in ease and wealth,
Thou wert my angel-guide, my faithful friend ;
Aye! thou hast kept thy faith e'en to the end.

ANON.

Ella.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Valor.

EMBLEM Fennel.

SENTIMENT Strength.

I YIELD my heart to thee, Ella,
 I yield myself to thee ;
 Thy skill and valor I admire,
 And resign my liberty.

I bow before thy truth, Ella,
 Thy fervent love of truth ;
 Thine innocence and purity,—
 Those brightest charms of youth.

To thy noble strength of soul, Ella,
 To thine ardor for the right ;
 And to thy gentle graces
 I yield, thy captive knight.



Ellen.

SIGNIFICATION . . Strong.

EMBLEM Allyssum.

SENTIMENT Worth beyond Beauty.

THERE is a strength in Ellen's heart,
Which not to all is given ;
'T is not attained by fashion's art,
'T is nought that mortals can impart,—
It is the gift of Heaven.

When o'er the stormy sea of life,
Her little bark is driven,
When every wave 's with danger rife,
She seeks a shelter from the strife,—
By trusting all to Heaven.

She feels that beauty nought can give,
To comfort life's last even ;
And therefore strives each day to live,
That strength divine she may receive,
To walk the path to Heaven.

Emira.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Of high Birth.

EMBLEM Amaryllis.

SENTIMENT Haughtiness, Pride.

“THE curl of that proud lip,
The flash of that eye,
The swell of that bosom,
So full and so high ;
Like foam of the sea-billow,
Thy white bosom shows,
Like flash of red levin
Thine eagle eye glows ;
Ha! firmly and boldly,
So stately and free,—
Thy foot treads this chamber,
As bark rides the sea :
This likes me — this likes me,
Stout maiden of mould,
Thou wocest to purpose —
Bold hearts love the bold !”

MOTHERWELL.

Emeline. Emily.

SIGNIFICATION . . Beloved.

EMBLEM White Rose-bud.

SENTIMENT Thou hast stolen my affection.

AH! Emily, it grieveth me,
To speak my firm belief,
But facts, those stubborn things, affirm,
Thou art an arrant thief!

Ah! e'en from me thine early friend,
Nay, dearest do not start;
Thou hast relentlessly purloined
What most I prize,— my heart!

Say not it is a worthless thing,
Its loss I must bemoan,—
But still I'll let it rest, if thou
Wilt give to me, thine own.

ANON.



Emma.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Loved One.

EMBLEM Peruvian Heliotrope.

SENTIMENT I love you.

I LOVE thee Emma, truly love,
More than I dare to tell ;
My heart and soul are all thine own ;
I'll ever love thee well.
My heart shall ever constant prove,
Most faithful will I be ;
And as the needle to the pole,
So true I'll turn to thee.

I love thy quiet, thoughtful mind,
Thy modesty and truth ;
I love thy manners, so refined,
And thy confiding youth ;
I love thine outward beauty,
But more than that, I prize
Thy pure devoted piety,—
Beauty which never dies !

Estella.

SIGNIFICATION . . A Star.

EMBLEM American Cowslip.

SENTIMENT You are my Divinity.

“WHO has not looked upon her brow
Has never dreamed of perfect bliss;
But once to see her is to know
What beauty,— what perfection is.

“Her charms are of the growth of Heaven,
She decks the night with hues of day;
Blest are the eyes to which 'tis given,
On her to gaze the soul away.”

Written in the 12th Century, by
PIERRE ROGGIERS.



Ester.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Secret.

EMBLEM Maple.

SENTIMENT Reserve.

WE do not like thy shy reserve,
 Come throw thy veil aside ;
 For those who do not know thy heart,
 Call modesty but pride.

Ester, to us thy heart is hid,
 Like flower in yonder glade ;
 Which ne'er unfolds its beauties rare,
 But in the silent shade.

We know there 's sunshine in thy soul,
 And goodness in thy heart ;
 Thou never can'st conceal the whole,—
 Then wherefore hide a part ?



Ethel.

SIGNIFICATION . . . The Noble.

EMBLEM Tall Sun Flower.

SENTIMENT Lofty and pure Thoughts.

“HEAVEN! ’t is delight to see how fair
Is she, my gentle love!
To serve her is my only care,
For all her bondage prove.
Who could be weary of her sight?
Each day new beauties spring;
Just Heaven! who made her fair and bright,
Inspire me while I sing.

“In any land where’er the sea
Bathes some delicious shore,
Where’er the sweetest clime may be
The south wind wander’s o’er,
’T is but an idle dream to say
With her may aught compare;
The world no treasure can display,
So precious and so fair.”

CHARLES D. ORLEANS. Written in 1391.

Cunice.

SIGNIFICATION . . Good Victory.

EMBLEM Bay.

SENTIMENT Reward of Merit.

OFt though sorrow's storm beat o'er thee,
Still thy heart has braved the blast ;
While the goal was yet before thee,
All thy thoughts were onward cast.

And with faithful, stern endeavor,
Thou hast served the cause of right ;
And with all thy moral power,
Thou hast fought the faithful fight.

Now has victory crowned thy merit,
And thy foes no more beset ;
All temptations thou hast conquered,
And secured thy coronet.



EvA. EvAlYn.

SIGNIFICATION . . Living and Enlivening.

EMBLEM Coreopsis.

SENTIMENT Always cheerful.

ALWAYS cheerful, always true,
Enlivening as the Summer dew ;
Thy daily duties all well done,
Thy course is onward, like the Sun.
Like him, thou shed 'est thy joyous beams
On all around when dark it seems,
And to the face of care and pain
Thou bring'st the light of hope again ;
From thee the clouds of sorrow flee,
And grateful smiles come back to thee.
Oh ! may'st thou never, never part,
With thy enlivening, cheerful heart.



Fanny. Frances.

SIGNIFICATION . . Frankness.

EMBLEM Single White Pink.

SENTIMENT Stranger to Art.

I'm weary of your flattering words,
And never wish to hear
Again those silly compliments,
You've poured into my ear.

I've often told you in plain terms,
Love you, I never could ;
If such a thing were possible,—
I'm sure I never would !

You look at me with much surprise,
That I should thus dare speak,—
You think I ought to bear with you,
Like ancient Moses meek.

Had you not loved yourself so much,
And me a little more,
You might have won my heart perhaps,
A long, long time before.

So let me now a lesson teach,
Which you may need again ;
And when you 've learned it well yourself,
Teach self-conceited men :

That girls are not in love with them,
As men oft think they are ;
But are only laughing quietly
At their self-conceited air.

Think not, I pray you, that we girls,
Give our true love unsought ;
We are willing to exchange it well,—
But hearts can ne'er be bought.



Fidelix.

SIGNIFICATION . . Fidelity.

EMBLEM Wall Flower.

SENTIMENT Fidelity in misfortune.

'T IS not in prosperity's dazzling light,
 That we can know false friends from true;
 But in a dark and cloudy night
 We find the faithful ones but few.

Those few! how precious is their love!
 How welcome all their quiet aid!
 How sweet to us 't is then to prove,
 That friendship's flowers will never fade.

The tender heart, the ready hand,
 Will do our bidding like our own;
 And only wait the eye's command,
 Without one word, or e'en one tone.

How blest such friendship none can know,
 Who have not been by sorrow tried;
 Through darkest storms of deepest woe,
 Such friends with us the blasts abide.

And when the hour of death shall come,
 Steadfast they'll watch around our bed;
 And when we've passed beyond the bourne,
 They'll long lament the spirit fled.

Flora.

SIGNIFICATION . . Goddess of Flowers.

EMBLEM Rose Geranium.

SENTIMENT Many are lovley, but you exceed all.

EXCEEDING beautiful thou art ;
Hast thou a pure and truthful heart ?
Lovely indeed thy form and face ;
Has holy love in thy heart a place ?

Thou now dost reign Queen of the Flowers ;
Thy days are spent in floral bowers ;
But life's Spring-time will soon be past,
And Summer, Autumn, fly, too fast.

Winter will come with frost and snow ;
Storms will arise and rude winds blow ;
Ah ! what shall shield thee from the blast ;
Hast thou the beauty which e'er will last ?

Beauty there is, which no storm can blight ;
It will bloom undimmed through winter's night.
Then guard thou well thy heart's sweet flowers,
Till they bloom again in heavenly bowers.

Florence.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Flourishing.

EMBLEM Buttercup.

SENTIMENT Riches.

Is she rich? said the spendthrift to his quiet friend;
 I wish to marry, my fortune to mend;
 I know of none richer, the friend replied,
 And advise you to win both fortune and bride.

Then went the same friend to Florence and told,
 He should send her a suitor, ugly and old,
 To win the heart, which he hoped was his own,
 So she might give the dandy her fortune alone.

My fortune! what mean you? you very well know,
 I have not a dollar on earth to bestow;—
 He asked for your riches; his question so bold,
 I answered,—“none richer;”—did not say in gold.

The riches I prize above gold and gems,
 You freely possess; pray let me name them:
 Modesty, gentleness, frankness and truth;
 Such riches all may possess in their youth.

Georgette.

SIGNIFICATION . . Love of Rural Life.

EMBLEM Tulip Tree.

SENTIMENT Rural Life favorable to Virtue.

NOT in the city's crowd,
Would I expend the precious hours of time ;
There, busy hum of noisy voices chime
In accents stern and loud.

To lowly cottage hearth
Would I retire from noise, and pomp, and strife,
And in the calm of sweet domestic life,
Live far from noisy mirth.

There, hum of busy bee,
And merry song of birds, at morning call
Would wake me at the dawn, to join with all
In the great jubilee.

There, flowers their petals spread
To greet the rising of the King of Day ;
And fragrant dews, that tremble on the spray,
Sweet odors shed.

Then to the silent dell
I'd hie me at the burning noontide hour,
And in some shady grove, or sylvan bower
Would all sad thoughts dispel.

And when the lovely eve
 With silent footsteps should come stealing on,
 I'd watch the stars come peeping one by one,
 And sweetest fancies weave.



Geraldine.

SIGNIFICATION . . Perfect good will.

EMBLEM Sweet scented Tussilage.

SENTIMENT Justice shall be done you.

THE humble floweret of the vale,
 Whose fragrant breath perfumes the gale,
 Is often passed unheeded by,
 While gaudier flowers attract the eye,
 And varied dyes, and colors bright,
 Are sought and cherished with delight.

Thus with our humble Geraldine,
 Few know her moral worth, I ween ;
 Amidst home scenes her virtues shine,
 And serve to brighten and refine ;
 No showy flower is Geraldine,—
 Of modest ones, she reigns a queen.

G e r t r u d e .

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SIGNIFICATION . . True to her Trust.

EMBLEM Sage.

SENTIMENT Woman's province is Home.

—

TRUE to her trust,— what higher praise
 Can any woman ask ?
 In usefulness to pass her days,
 Fulfilling every task ;

And every duty faithfully,
 Assigned her by the Lord,
 Important is the trust she has,
 And rich is her reward.

A daughter's trust,— to that be true ;
 Make thy parents' pathway bright ;
 A sister's trust is given you,—
 Guide that tempted brother right.

Another trust, and a higher one,
 Is found in the fond word, Wife ;
 True to this trust, let your motto be,
 For it ceases but with life.

A mother's trust ! what heart can know
 The power these words contain,
 To cause the rills of joy to flow,
 Or ope the source of pain.

A mother's trust! Oh, guard it well,
 And faithful to it prove;
 Eternity alone can tell
 What's wrought by a mother's love.

Grace.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Good Will.

EMBLEM Mezerion.

SENTIMENT Desire to Please.

SEEK happiness, child, in life's sunny hours,
 By culling for others life's beautiful flowers;
 And the smiles they shall bear to the lowliest place,
 Reflected shall beam on their own bonny face.
 That youth would be happy to send a bouquet,
 To tell to his lady what he wishes to say,
 And thus the delight he thinks to impart,
 With-hopes, fresh and sweet, shall return to his heart.
 Bring flowers to gladden the sick one's room
 With their angel smiles and their rich perfume;
 They will speak to the weary of brighter hours,
 And of Him who has mingled life's thorns with flowers.
 The gentle bride to the altar is led,
 With fragrant blossoms is her pathway spread,
 And when loved ones are laid on their lowly biers,
 We scatter for them the flowers and the tears.

Thy friendship, sweet Grace, is like to the flowers ;
 It comes to our hearts in our saddest hours ;
 And thy hearty good will and desire to please,
 Are like music's soft notes on the Summer's breeze.

G r a c e .

SIGNIFICATION . . Merciful.

EMBLEM Grape.

SENTIMENT Charity.

A KINDLY word, a pleasant smile,
 For those who 've gone astray,
 May often lead them back again
 Into the narrow way.

What if they long have sadly erred ?
 They long have sorrowed too ;
 Oh let them hear a gentle word,
 When e'er they meet with you.

We know not how the tempter's arts
 May all our power assail ;
 And though we may a time stand firm,
 They may at length prevail.

Speak gently, kindly, to the poor,
 For they have much to bear ;
 And seek to smooth their rugged way
 With sympathy sincere.

And help to make the burden light
So heavy on them laid ;
Such lowly acts of charity
In Heaven shall be repaid.

The mourner and the invalid
Need words of friendly cheer ;
And there's a balm we all may give,—
The sympathetic tear.

Oh, cherish gentle charity,
Within thy inmost soul.
It adds to every other charm,
And beautifies the whole.



Harriett.

SIGNIFICATION . . Rich Lady.

EMBLEM Sumach.

SENTIMENT . . Wealth cannot purchase Love.

I SAW a fair maiden, the daughter of wealth,
 And bright was the beauty all glowing with health ;
 Her fair face was shaded by light golden curls,
 Where mingled in splendor rich diamonds and pearls.

And nought was there wanting that wealth could supply,
 To bring joy to her heart or gladden her eye ;
 All obsequious her servants awaited her word,
 And music's soft strains through her chambers were
 heard.

I saw her again at the sweet twilight hour ;
 She had wandered away to Nature's own bower ;
 Rich circles of jewels lay low at her feet,
 And the language she breathed, came plaintive and
 sweet.

Away with the trappings of wealth and of art !
 They may dazzle the mind, but they soothe not the
 heart.

I would give all my wealth,— every diamond and pearl,
 For the free, happy heart, of a cottage girl.

A.

Helen.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Radiantly Beautiful.

EMBLEM Ranunculus.

SENTIMENT You are radiant with charms.

“ TELL me thou ancient mariner
That sailest on the sea,
If ship or sail or evening star,
Be half so fair as she ?

“ Tell me thou gallant cavalier,
Whose shining arms I see ;
If steed or sword or battle-field,
Be half so fair as she ?

“ Tell me thou swain that guard’st thy flock
Beneath the shadowy tree,
If flock, or vale, or mountain ridge,
Be half so fair as she ? ”

From the Spanish.



Henrietta.

SIGNIFICATION . . Richness.

EMBLEM Maize.

SENTIMENT Plenty.

WHERE'ER thou rovest, gentle girl,
 Where'er thy home is found,
 There plenty is with smiling face,
 And gladdens all around.

Thus through each changing scene of life,
 Rich blessings crown thee still ;—
 Thus Heavenly goodness ever doth
 Thy Horn of Plenty fill.

And while with so much earthly good
 Thy cup is running o'er,
 Thy heart does e'en with pity move,
 To aid the suffering poor.

Nor unto thee doth ever turn
 The child of want and pain,
 And humbly seek some needed good,
 And seek of thee in vain.

Go on, dear girl, thus to improve
 The blessings God has given ;
 Go on, and thou wilt surely find
 Thy rich reward in Heaven.

N. S. T.

H e p s i b a h .

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SIGNIFICATION . . My delight is in her.

EMBLEM Spindle Tree.

SENTIMENT Your image is engraven on my heart.

—

THOU art enshrined within my heart ;
 And at this twilight hour,
 Thou knowest not how near thou art,
 By mem'ry's magic power.

I watch the gentle stars come out
 From yon clear azure skies,
 And think I nought like them have seen,
 Except thy sparkling eyes.

I almost hear thy low sweet tones
 Breathing into my ear,
 Some whispered thought or sentiment,
 Which I so love to hear.



Hulda.

SIGNIFICATION . . The World.

EMBLEM Thorn Apple.

SENTIMENT Deceitful Charms.

WE know there's much that's false,
In this bad world of ours ;
And oft we find our hopes
As transient as the flowers.

The rose that blooms to-day,
Will e'en to-morrow die ;
And joys we thought to meet,
But tantalize and fly.

We know that auburn hair
May sometime prove false curls ;
And ah, I grieve to say,
We sometimes find false girls !



J a n i t e .

SIGNIFICATION . . . Beautiful Flower.

EMBLEM Hibiscus.

SENTIMENT Beauty is vain.

BEAUTY blooms like the fragile flower,
Opens at morn, fades in an hour ;
Delicate tints and graceful form,
Shield it not from blast or storm.

Health will fail, and disease and pain,
Teach the fair, that "Beauty is vain,"
Chilling winds with poisonous breath
Blow, and the form lies low in death.

Then let our hearts such beauty prize,
As best shall fit us for the skies ;
There where unfading flowers grow,
No blasting winds will ever blow.



Irene.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Watcher.

EMBLEM Thyme.

SENTIMENT Activity.

AYE, watch for thy heart, thy pure young heart ;
 Watch well for thy heart, Irene !
For many a maid, as wise and staid,
 Has been robbed of her heart I ween.
But in vain she may weep in anguish deep,
 It well never return again.

Then watch with care, thy heart, my fair,
 Look well to thy heart, Irene !
There 's a little sprite with wings of light,
 That 's fanning thy heart, unseen.
Beware of the art that would steal thy heart,
 For 't would never return again.

ANON.



JANE. JOAN.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Grace of God.

EMBLEM Cherry Blossom.

SENTIMENT Spiritual Beauty.

MAY God's mercy ever guard thee
Safe o'er all thy thorny road ;
And His grace, what e'er betide thee,
Lead thee home to His abode.

May thy footsteps never wander,
Never from the truth decline ;
Till thine earthly days are numbered,
Then He'll say, thou now art mine.

Then in realms of light and glory,
Thou shalt dwell with Him above ;
And repeat the pleasing story
Of His deep, unchanging love.



Jenny.

SIGNIFICATION . . Song Bird.

EMBLEM Agrimony.

SENTIMENT Thankfulness.

SING, Jenny, sing while thy heart is gay,
Aye, sing in thy innocent gladness,
Thy beauty and youth will pass away,—
Thy spirit be shrouded in sadness.

Sing, Jenny, sing while thy heart is young,
A song for the aged and weary,
A soothing strain that shall cheer again
The way of the aged so dreary.

Sing, Jenny, sing in the sick one's room,
A lay all gently breathing,
Of patience and hope for the weary one,
With faith and prayer enwreathing.

ANON.



J e m i m a .

SIGNIFICATION . . Handsome as the Day.

EMBLEM China Rose.

SENTIMENT Beauty ever new.

MORNING is peeping over the hills,
 Laughing and babbling are the young rills,
 Seemingly joyous once more to awake
 Flowers on the banks, and their fragrance partake ;
 Birdlings are sending from their little throats,
 Morning's sweet praises in silvery notes.
 Brightly the dew-drops are spangling the earth,
 All Nature's awaking with laughter and mirth.

Majestically rides the sun through the sky,
 Boundlessly sending his beams from on high,
 Silently, steadily approaching the west,
 Quietly sinks in the rich clouds to rest.
 Jemima is as beautiful, we fully believe,
 As the glorious dawn, and the soul-soothing eve.



Josephine.

SIGNIFICATION . . Jasper.

EMBLEM Hornbeam.

SENTIMENT Ornament.

BRIGHT precious stones adorn the fair,
And on the brow of beauty shine ;
More precious far to Josephine,
Are "the jewels of the mind."

Had she old ocean's richest gems,
Most lustrous diamonds she might find ;
Still all more worthy of her heart,
Are the virtues of the mind.

The virtues which her life inspire
Are holy, peaceful, and refined ;
Richer far than gems or gold,
Are "the jewels of the mind."

Fortune on Josephine may smile,
With rich gems her brow may bind ;
Still we know more dear to her,
Are "the jewels of the mind."

Julia.

SIGNIFICATION .. Curly-haired.
EMBLEM Burgundy Rose.
SENTIMENT Simplicity and Beauty.

THE sunlight is dancing
Among thy bright curls;
Thy charms are entrancing,
Thou fairest of girls!
Thine eye like the starlight,
Thy cheek like the rose,
Thy lips, O how lovely
In smiles or repose.

It is not the beauty
That beams from thine eyes,
Nor thy bright fairy form,
That so highly I prize;
Though we will not deny
That the casket is fair;—
The gem it contains
Is more precious and rare.

Keziah.

SIGNIFICATION . . . An Angel.

EMBLEM Snow Ball.

SENTIMENT Thoughts of Heaven.

EARTHLY angels there may be,
We think when we Keziah see ;
For with her she doth ever bring
“Sweet waters from affection’s spring.”

Some the laurel wreath may wear ;
For this Keziah does not care ;
She is happier, for she tries
To make her home a paradise.

Her voice doth to her husband’s heart
A calm, a Heavenly joy impart ;
And to her children, every tone
Is sweet, is gentle love alone.

To friends her sympathy and aid
Is kindly proffered,— not delayed ;
In sickness she’s at hand to cheer,—
'T is then we feel — an angel’s near.

G A R L A N D.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Crowned with Laurels.

EMBLEM A Garland.

SENTIMENT Reward of Virtue.

A GARLAND fair we twine for thee
Of sweet and fadeless flowers ;
Of such as shall forever be
Bright in the darkest hours.

Here are the loveliest flowers of youth,
Humility, and meakness ;
And blossoms fair of love and truth,
Are sending forth their sweetness.

May no blight come o'er this wreath,
Which now thy brow is shading ;
Guard it with care, for life is brief,—
'T will then remain unfading.



Louisa. Louise.

SIGNIFICATION . . Surpassing.

EMBLEM Mignonette.

SENTIMENT Worth and Loveliness.

In loveliness and moral worth,
None can surpass Louise on earth;
None like to her, whom I've seen yet;
She's like the fragrant Mignonette.

This humble floweret is passed by;
Its modest charms tempt not the eye;
But when with Heaven's dew 'tis wet,
How sweet the lowly Mignonette.

Where'er this tiny flower doth bloom,
The air is filled with its perfume,
And thus to me an emblem is
Of modest worth and loveliness.

But when you ask me to compare
Louise, to something sweet and fair,
Nothing that I have ever met
Is like, but lovely Mignonette.

Lucille. Lucy.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Light.

EMBLEM Cape Jasmine.

SENTIMENT My heart is joyful.

LIGHT be thy dreams, sweet Lucy,
When sleep thine eyelids close;
That night may prove refreshing
To thee, as to the rose.

Then wake in bloom and beauty,
With spirits light and gay,
And in the path of duty,
Joyfully pass the day.

No clouds come o'er thy sunshine,
No sorrow o'er thy heart,
While thou art on life's busy stage,
Performing well thy part.

Light be thy cares, sweet Lucy,
Along life's devious way,
And Heaven's pure light shine o'er thee,
To lead to endless day.

Lydia.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Sorrowful.

EMBLEM Dead Leaves.

SENTIMENT Sadness.

I SAW a sere and trembling leaf
 Clinging to its parent tree ;
 Full well it knew its hours were brief,
 And thus it spake to me :—

I once was fresh, and green, and bright,
 And much admired was I ;
 But now condemned to death's dark blight,
 Must fall to earth and die.

I do not like to lay me there,
 Upon the cold damp earth ;
 But I would rise on wings of air
 As if of Heavenly birth.

My little life has not been vain,
 As many mortals are ;
 They spend their days in grief and pain,
 Then perish in despair.

My God gave me a work to do,
 Which faithfully I've done ;
 Have beautified my parent tree,
 And shielded from the sun —

Him who has sought a cooling shade
 To rest his wearied frame ;
 And although now I am decayed,
 There 's good linked with my name.

Then mortal ! learn this lesson pure,
 For coming is the night ;
 Would you a happy age ensure,
 Inspire your talents right.

M a b e l .

SIGNIFICATION . . . Lovely or Amiable.

EMBLEM White Jasmine.

SENTIMENT Amiability.

LOVELY art thou, gentle maiden !
 Thy warm heart with pure love laden,
 Expands and folds in its embrace
 Good will to all the human race ;
 Like a sunbeam, ever glancing,
 O'er our way, our joys enhancing.

Lovely art thou, gentle maiden,
 Like the bee with honey laden,
 Is thy heart with all that 's holy,
 Shutting out dark melancholy ;—
 A rainbow on the clouds of even
 Sweetly teaching trust in Heaven.

M a h a l a .

SIGNIFICATION . . Infirmity.

EMBLEM Carolina Syringe.

SENTIMENT Disappointment.

T is not well
To let thy spirit brood,
Thus darkly o'er the cares that swell
Life's current to a flood.
As brooks, and torrents, rivers, all
Increase the gulf in which they fall ;
Such thoughts by gathering up the rills
Of lesser griefs, spread real ills ;
And with their gloomy shades conceal
The land-marks Hope would else reveal.

MRS. DINNIES.



M a r c i a .

SIGNIFICATION . . Polite.

EMBLEM Geranium.

SENTIMENT Gentility.

TRUE politeness is the expression of kind feelings which spring from out the fountain of a pure heart. The quiet gracefulness of those bred in fashion's circles, is termed gentility. Where true kindness, and graceful manners meet in the same person, there we find true Christian courtesy, such as Paul oft taught; but which is sadly wanting in the young and thoughtless of modern days, — who rise not up before the hoary head, neither treat with reverence the venerable form of age.

Genteel one may be; — polite, one cannot, without a pure heart overflowing with love and Christian sympathy for all mankind.



Margaret.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Pearl.

EMBLEM Orange Flowers.

SENTIMENT Woman's Worth.

ALL gold, and pearls, and precious gems,
 Shun the broad light of day ;
 So, woman's love, more precious still,
 Is hid from sight away.

We must dive deep in ocean's bed,
 For pearls for fashion's shrine ;
 We must dig low for richest gems
 Which glitter in the mine.

So woman's love within the heart,
 Is richest, deepest found ;
 'Tis like the still broad flowing stream,
 Enriching all around.

Woman's true worth no man can know,
 Who loves not long and well ;
 He knows not half the low, rich tone,
 Which into music swell,—

Whene'er the chords of her soul's harp
 Are waked by skillful hand ;
 Ah! then the song of love he'll hear,
 Is taught by seraph band !

Maria.

SIGNIFICATION . . Full of grace.

EMBLEM Multiflora Rose.

SENTIMENT Many charms.

I DO not like to tell thee
How beautiful thou art;
And yet thou seem'st unconscious
Of winning every heart.

Thy light and fairy figure,—
Thy graceful step so free;—
Fleecy cloudlets, o'er the sky,
Move airily like thee.

In all this grace of motion,
And loveliness of face,
Thy heart's gentleness and truth
We clearly, plainly trace.

Thou to thy friends art faithful,—
Forgiving to thy foes;
Thy life well spent presaging
A peaceful, happy close.

M a r t h a.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Becoming bitter.

EMBLEM Citron.

SENTIMENT Beautiful, but ill-humored

WHAT care I for your handsome face,
Where rose and lily blend?
When nothing in your heart or mind,
I could or would commend.

I like to look on beauty well
Of figure and of face ;
But I love that beauty better,
Which in good deeds I trace.

There's many a gaudy flower,
At first attracts the sight ;
But when we find no fragrance there,
It gives us less delight.

Your beauty is a gaudy show ;
'Tis like the scentless flower ;
And when you let ill-temper reign,
We feel its bitter power.

MARY.

SIGNIFICATION . . Exalted.

EMBLEM Apple Blossom.

SENTIMENT Fame speaks you great and good.

MARY is sounding in our ears,
 From palace, and from cot;
 What place of high or low degree,
 Where this loved name is not?

We read it oft in Sacred Writ;
 This, poets most admire;
 We see it oft on Hist'ry's page,—
 No name's exalted higher.

In youth we love to hear the sound
 Of this sweet, simple name;
 In age we love it as of yore;
 It brings us back again:—

It brings the long, bright, summer days,
 When we in sportive mood,
 Chased humming-bird and butterfly,
 And wandered in the wood,—

In search of childhood's gay delight,
 The many-colored flowers,—
 With blue-eyed Mary by our side,
 We spent those sunny hours.

The rose is still as beautiful
 As when first it met our eyes;
 We love the gleaming of the stars,—
 They've been ages in the skies.

So Mary's name, we love it still,
 In palace or in cot;
 It makes our very heart-strings thrill!
 Who is there loves it not?

Gentiana.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Name.

EMBLEM Rosemary

SENTIMENT Keep this for my sake. I'll
 remember thee.

THINE own loved name! nought can impart
 More thrilling joy to my faithful heart;
 For with thy name, my thoughts will blend,
 Thy image, and thy love, my friend.

Thine own loved name! I'll keep it well
 To guard my heart — a gentle spell,—
 Waking the thoughts that are holy and pure,
 Teaching to shun, where sin would allure.

'T is sweet to think, tho' unknown to fame,
 One heart will cherish my humble name;
 It asks but a place, a little part,
 In the deep recess of thy loving heart.

Melissa.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Bee, or sweetness

EMBLEM Tuberose.

SENTIMENT I have seen a lovely girl.

IN a little calm retreat,
 Blooms a floweret pale and sweet ;
 Retiring modesty hath spread,
 A charm around her youthful head,
 While the sunshine of her heart,
 Doth to all a charm impart.

Hast thou seen the Tuberose ?
 As sweet a flower as ever blows ?
 Thou hast then an emblem seen
 Of our "lovely girl" I ween,
 Melissa in her garden bowers
 Is like "a Bee" mid summer flowers.



Mildred.

SIGNIFICATION . . Mild in Counsel.

EMBLEM Mallows.

SENTIMENT Sweet Disposition.

MILD light shines in thine eye,
Meek thoughts are in thy heart,
Kind words are on thy lips,
Pride has in thee no part.

Truth is thy constant guide,
Hope is by thee possessed,
Love sheds on thee its light,
Peace fills thy gentle breast.

Genius has stamped thy brow,
Health blooms upon thy cheek ;
Blessings rest on thy head,—
For "Blessed are the meek."



Minerva.

SIGNIFICATION . . Wise, Stern.

EMBLEM Thistle.

SENTIMENT Austerity.

WISDOM rare and precious thou hast, Minerva,
Thy mind unused to trifling things of earth,
Fill'd with thoughts pure, high, and lofty,
Seeks and retains, above the common crowd,
Its elevation.

Stern, many call thee ;
Sternness of heart it is not ; study deep
Has made thee thoughtful, and that majesty
Of soul, so calm and lofty, is only
The deep, broad, silently-flowing current
Of thought, which speaks a soul superior
To the heartless praise, and selfish vanity
Of the thoughtless, mirthful, trifling throng.



Minna. Minnie.

SIGNIFICATION . . One rich in love.

EMBLEM Myrtle.

SENTIMENT Love.

How have I loved thee! O recall
Those past delicious hours,
Which made me happy as a bird,
In its sweet home of flowers.

And thou wast all my happiness,
My love,—my joy,—my pride!
Thou know'st I had no other joy,
And none to love beside.

Then plighted we our mutual troth,
That it might never change,
Through all the cares and ills of earth
That other hearts estrange.

MILLER.



Miranda.

SIGNIFICATION . . . One to be admired.

EMBLEM Field Convolvulus.

SENTIMENT Captivation.

“ ADMIRED Miranda !

Indeed the top of admiration ; worth
What's dearest to the world ! Full many a lady
I have eyed with best regard, and many a time
The harmony of their tongues hath into bondage
Brought my too diligent ear ; for several virtues
Have I liked several women ; never any
With so full soul, but some defect in her
Did quarrel with the noblest grace she owned,
And put it to the foil. But you, oh ! you
So perfect and so peerless, are created
Of every creature's best.”

SHAKSPEARE.



Miriam.

SIGNIFICATION . . Bitterness of Affliction.

EMBLEM Weeping-Willow.

SENTIMENT Ask not one to join in mirth, whose
heart is desolate.

THEY have borne her away to her last long home,
Laid her head on her last cold pillow ;
Let us strew o'er her grave the flowers that she loved,
Let us plant at her head-stone the willow.

The sad weeping-willow, let it droop o'er the bed,
Where lowly she rests in her childhood ;
Let us strew o'er her grave the flowers that she loved,
The sweets of the garden and wild-wood.

Aye, mourn for thy dead, thy early dead,
But still with a chastened sorrow ;
For though long be the night, and dark be the grave,
Faith points to a glorious morrow.

A.



Myra.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Sadness.

EMBLEM Cypress.

SENTIMENT Disappointed hopes.

AWAY! away with sadness,
While time is on the wing;
Let innocence and gladness,
And joy' from all hearts spring.

Nature, in bloom and beauty,
Says, sigh not thy time away;
Faithfully do thy duty,
And cheerfully spend the day.

Be sad no longer, Myra!
But trust in Him above,
Who will ever guard thy footsteps,
And guide thee with His love.



N a m e.

SIGNIFICATION . . Consolation.

EMBLEM Scarlet Geranium.

SENTIMENT Consolation.

“ WE mourn for those who sin,
 Bound in the tempter's snare,
 Whom syren pleasures beckons in,
 To prisons of despair ;
 Whose hearts by whirlwind passions torn,
 Are wrecked on folly's shore,—
 But why in sorrow should we mourn
 For those who sin no more ?

“ We mourn for those who weep,
 When stern afflictions bend
 With anguish o'er the lowly sleep
 Of lover or of friend ;—
 But they to whom the sway
 Of pain and grief is o'er,
 Whose tears our God hath wiped away,
 Oh ! mourn for them no more.”

MRS. SIGOURNEY.

Jancy.

SIGNIFICATION . . Gracious, Merciful.

EMBLEM Elder.

SENTIMENT Compassion.

OH let me dry the sad, sad tears,
Which from thine eyes o'erflow,
And strive by earnest, kindly deeds,
To help thee bear thy woe.

By sweet, consoling, friendly words,
I'd cheer thy care-worn heart ;
For sympathy, if rightly given,
Can happiness impart.

But when thy bleeding heart shall find
All human aid but vain,
Know that the hand that gave the wound,
Can make it well again.



Octavia.

SIGNIFICATION . . The Eighth.

EMBLEM Virgin's Bower.

SENTIMENT . . . Filial love.

“YES I have left the golden shore,
Where childhood midst the roses played;
Those sunny dreams will come no more,
That youth a long bright sabbath made.

“Yet while those dreams of memory's eye
Arise in many glittering train,
My soul goes back to infancy,
And hears my mother's song again!

“And while my soul retains the power
To think upon each faded year,
In every bright or shadowed bower,
My heart shall hold my mother dear.”

W. G. CLARK.



Olive.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Peace.

EMBLEM Olive.

SENTIMENT Peace.

WHERE is peace? can 'st tell, can 'st tell?
Does she with the miser dwell?
As he hoards his glittering wealth,
At expense of ease and health?

Loves she Glory's wreath to twine,
Kneeling at Ambition's shrine?
Or in gay and festive hall
Waits she Pleasure's siren call?

Seek her not 'mid pomp and power!
Seek her not in pleasure's bower!
In the miser's darkened cell,
Peace, sweet peace, can never dwell.

Far from pomp and noise and mirth,
At the dear domestic hearth,
Where the humble kneel in prayer,
Peace, sweet peace, is ever there.

Far above these lower skies,
Where no tears bedim the eyes,
Where all holy spirits are,
Peace, celestial peace, is there!

Yes, in those bright realms above,
Realms of purity and love,
There is peace, divinely fair; —
Happy they who find her there.

ANON.



Permelia.

SIGNIFICATION . . A True Friend.

EMBLEM Forget-me-not

SENTIMENT True Love

THIS nosegay fair, by yonder riv'let's side,
All fresh with dew, I gathered for my bride ;
O, let these simple flowers their language tell,
And breathe for you a kind, a sad, farewell !

The sweet forget-me-not, the hyacinth blue,
Remind of love that's constant, faithful, true ;
The myrtle with the amaranth I'd twine,
And thus, thee ever in my heart enshrine.

N. S. T.



PERSIS.

SIGNIFICATION . . Estrangement.

EMBLEM Cornus.

SENTIMENT A changed heart.

WHAT have I done to merit this ?
Why are thy looks so changed ?
I feel no sorrow more than this,—
An early friend estranged.

What have I done ? what have I said,
That you now turn from me ?
I always, sure, have faithful been —
A sincere friend to thee.

Come back, come back again, my friend,
I will forgive the past ;
This is thy first unfriendly look,—
Oh, let it be thy last.



Phœbe.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Shining.

EMBLEM Plane Tree.

SENTIMENT Genius.

WHAT is genius ? — a meteor's glare,
Which bursts upon our sight ;
And oft it lures its victims on,
To shades of darkest night.

It shines a moment — then is gone !
We watch to see it more ;
But heavy clouds obscure its light,—
That light we much deplore.

'T is not the brightest orbs of light,
Which shine with purest ray ;
But those which steadiest show the path
Which leads to endless day.



P r u d e n c e .

SIGNIFICATION . . Prudent.

EMBLEM Service Tree.

SENTIMENT Prudence.

“HER reason all her passions sway ;
 Easy in company, in private gay ;
 Coy to a fop, to the deserving free,
 Still constant to herself, and just to me.
 A soul she has for great actions fit,
 Prudence and wisdom to direct her wit ;
 Courage to look bold danger in the face,
 No fear but only to be proud or base.
 Quick to advise, by emergence prest,
 To take good counsel or to take the best.
 The expression of her thoughts are such,
 She does not seem reserved, nor talk too much.
 That shows a want of judgment and of sense,
 More than enough is but impertinence.
 Her conduct regular, her mirth refined,
 Civil to strangers, to her neighbors kind.
 Averse to vanity, revenge, and pride,
 To all the methods of deceit untry'd ;
 So faithful to her friends, and good to all,
 No censure upon her actions fall.”

Written in 1699.

POMFRET.

Rachel.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Sheep.

EMBLEM Daisy.

SENTIMENT Innocence.

THIS lovely flower an emblem is
Of innocence and cheerfulness ;
It early comes to glad our sight,
And fill our hearts with sweet delight.

We love to see it in the Spring,
Its tiny buds fast blossoming ;
We love it too in Summer's hours,
More lasting than some gayer flowers.

We love it much when Autumn's breath
Comes to lay low sweet flowers in death ;
For then it looks as fair and bright,
As if just waked to life and light.

No clouds or storms it seems to fear,
But smiles through all without a tear ;
Innocent Daisy ! teach thou us
Through clouds and storms in God to trust.

Rebecca.

SIGNIFICATION . . Reconciliation.

EMBLEM Star of Bethlehem.

SENTIMENT Reconciliation.

My friend, my much loved friend!

Thanks to thy generous heart!

Thou hast in kindness ever strove

To act a sister's part.

And now, when least I could expect

Thy sympathy to share,

A fresh memento here I find

Of ever faithful care.

E'en when I most deserved a frown,

Thou hast in mercy smiled,—

My heart then felt a sudden joy,

For thou wert reconciled.

N. S. T.

Rosa.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Rose.
EMBLEM Red Rose.
SENTIMENT Beauty and Prosperity.

NOUGHT we find in garden bowers,
Like the Rose,— the Queen of Flowers ;
Its beauty and its fragrance sweet,
Shows loveliness pure and complete.

Its bud is beautiful at first,
More lovely still when forth it bursts ;
We see pure, glorious beauty there,
Its fragrance sweet, fills all the air.

But soon, alas ! the rose decays,—
It droops its head, and fades away ;
Yet with us leaves its fragrance still,
Forth from its petals sweets distill.

ROSE.

SIGNIFICATION . . Charming Rose.

EMBLEM Musk Rose.

SENTIMENT Charming.

How oft some lovely maiden fair,
Here for a time will bright appear,
Then fade away like a withered rose,
And gently sink to calm repose.

But all her goodness still remains,
Affection true her worth retains ;
And though she now has gone to rest,
The friends she loved are by her blest.

As ever withered roses shed
A fragrance when their bloom is fled,
So her past loveliness imparts
Its fragrance sweet, to mourning hearts.



Rosamond.

SIGNIFICATION . . Rose of the World.

EMBLEM Red Rose-bud.

SENTIMENT Pure and Lovely.

“O’ER the porch there grew an Eastern rose,
That flowering high, the last night’s gale had caught,
And blown across the walk. One arm aloft
Gown’d in pure white, that fitted to the shape,—
Holding the bush to fix it back she stood,
A single stream of all her soft brown hair
Pour’d on one side ; the shadow of the flowers
Stole all the golden gloss, and, wavering
Lovingly lower, trembled on her waist —
Ah, happy shade — and still went wavering down,
But, ere it touched a foot, that might have danced
The greensward into greener circles, dipt,
And mixed with shadows of the common ground !
But the full day dwelt on her brows, and sunn’d
Her violet eyes, and all her Hebe-bloom,
And doubled his own warmth against her lips,
And on the bounteous wave of such a breast
As never pencil drew. Half light, half shade
She stood, a sight to make an old man, young !”

Rosella.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Brave Rose.

EMBLEM Hundred-leaved Rose.

SENTIMENT Dignity of mind.

JUST by a shady grove,
All hid from passers by,
A rose-bush blossoms there,
Beneath the summer sky.
One morn a beauteous bud,
The fairest I had seen,
Burst from its velvet folds,
Amid the tender green.

With wonder and delight,
I stood awhile to gaze,—
Its beauty filled my soul
With gratitude and praise.
I left it there to charm
Perchance some other eye;
To beautify its parent tree,
And then to fade and die.

Fair Rose! this opening bud
An emblem is of thee;
Thy useful life so pure,
Thy heart from guile so free;

And like this bud, thou bloomest
Where idle throngs ne'er come ;
One spot thou ever cheerest,
That spot thy happy home.

Thy beauty too must fade
As fades this rose, we know ;—
The dearest, loveliest ones,
Are always first to go.
The gentle deeds of love
Can never, never die ;
Such beauty brighter grows
And blooms beyond the sky.

N. S. T.



P O W E R N A .

SIGNIFICATION . . To acquire Peace.

EMBLEM Flowering Reeds.

SENTIMENT Confidence in Heaven.

Oh, where shall Peace be found,—
 Peace for the troubled breast?
 Dwells it this side the bourne,
 Where “the weary are at rest?”

Oh, where may Peace be found?
 In cities’ busy mart?
 In fashion’s ceaseless round,—
 Sweet Peace, is’t there thou art?

Dost dwell in shady wood,
 Or in the humble cot?
 Oh tell of thine abode,
 Where is the favored spot?

I dwell in each pure heart
 Which puts its trust in Heaven,
 And makes its days as peaceful
 As a cloudless summer even.

R e u h a m a .

SIGNIFICATION . . Having obtained mercy.

EMBLEM Trefoil.

SENTIMENT Providence.

“JUST as a mother with sweet, pious face,
Yearns towards her children from her seat,
Gives one a kiss, another an embrace,
Takes this upon her knee, that on her feet;
And while from actions, looks, complaints, pretences,
She learns their feelings and their various will,
To this a look, to that a word dispenses,
And whether stern or smiling, loves them still :—
So Providence for us, high, infinite,
Makes our necessities its watchful task,
Hearkens to all our prayers, helps all our wants ;
And even if it denies what seems our right,
Either denies because 't would have us ask.
Or seems but to deny, or in denying grants.”

ANON.

Ruth.

SIGNIFICATION . . Contentment.

EMBLEM Houstonia.

SENTIMENT Content.

I WOULD not that earth's richest mines
Should yield for me their store ;
Nor golden rivers at my feet,
Their shining treasures pour.

I would not that Fame's trumpet voice
Should herald forth my name ;
Nor Honor's proud and lofty place,
I would not wish to claim.

I would that in some humble vale,
Some quiet rural spot,
I there might find a welcome home,
To be my happy lot.

'T is there alone, I'd hope to find
Sweet hours of peaceful rest ;
'T is there, contented, I would dwell,
With one I love the best.

N. S. T.

Salomā.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Perfect.

EMBLEM Pine Apple.

SENTIMENT You are perfect.

FEW can here of perfection boast,
E'en those whose virtues are the most ;
Yet we in truth should persevere,
Though we may not be perfect here.

Yet every evil of the heart,
Should be opposed till it depart ;
In Heaven we know that we shall be
Free from earth's impurity.



Sapphira.

SIGNIFICATION . . One who relates or tells.

EMBLEM Ipomea.

SENTIMENT Busy-bodies are a dangerous sort of
people.

Oh, who would be a tatler
And bear a serpent's tongue?
To give forth only poison
To those she dwells among?

Oh, who would be a tatler?
A torment to one's neighbor?
A mischief-making busy-body,
Who rather talk than labor?

Oh, never be a tatler,
To spread ill-will and strife!—
I'd sooner seek some cavern,
And lead a hermit's life.

Sarah.

SIGNIFICATION . . Princess.

EMBLEM Fir Tree.

SENTIMENT Elevation.

SHOULD we a lofty station prize,
And those in humble life despise ?
Should riches make us scorn the poor,
And turn the needy from our door ?
Should fashion's splendor fill the heart,
And bid all kindly thoughts depart ?
No ! let us rather strive to fill
The world with good instead of ill ;
Let wealth be used the poor to bless,
And save from human wretchedness ;
Power, used to stop the source of woe,
Bid misery's tear-drops cease to flow ;
Let those who fill a rank above
Their fellow-men, be rich in love,
In prayers, in alms, in smiles, to cheer
The lonely pilgrim, wandering here ;
In loving words, which sad hearts need,
Be rich in thoughts, in words, in deeds !

Sibyl.

SIGNIFICATION . . Foretelling.

EMBLEM Oleander.

SENTIMENT Beware! shun the coming evil.

OF the flatterer, my friend,
 I would bid thee beware ;
 For beneath a sunny smile
 May be a fatal snare.

Tender and winning words,
 May lure from truth away,—
 Then beware of the flatterer's tongue,
 It charms but to betray !

There's much that is deceptive
 In this bright world of ours ;
 For oft the treach'rous thorn
 Is hid amid the flowers.

And though thy path seem flowery,
 And all around thee fair,—
 Remember, e'en in Eden
 Was laid a fatal snare.

Sophia.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Wisdom.

EMBLEM Red Mulberry.

SENTIMENT Wisdom.

Is it a mark of wisdom, a sad, long face to wear ?
To speak each little word with special care ?
To scan our neighbor's follies one by one ?
And deck one's self in robes like sober nun ?

To give long lessons to the young and gay,
On all the follies of the present day ?
To talk, for hours, in solemn, mournful tone,
Disclaiming virtues that we know our own ?

Such is the wisdom which we often see ;
But such, Sophia, we've not found in thee :
Thine is the wisdom which kind Heaven imparts
To those who seek it with meek, humble hearts.

Stella.

SIGNIFICATION . . A Star.

EMBLEM Glory Flower.

SENTIMENT Glorious Beauty.

STARS, bright stars, that gem the skies,
Poets say are angel's eyes,
Beaming from the world above,
Eloquent, and full of love.

Gently on this world of ours,
On its tender, fading flowers,—
Gazing there with fond delight,
From the diadem of night.

They, methinks with angel care,
Left their beauteous impress there,
On each flower's lovely form ;—
Then the stars of earth were born.

Flowers ever charm our eyes,
Pointing upward to the skies ;
While to mortals here is given
Stars on earth, and stars in Heaven.

N. S. T.

S U S A N .

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Lily.

EMBLEM White Lily.

SENTIMENT Purity and Modesty.

WHEN Poets flatter maidens fair,
Their beauties to a rose compare ;
But to a Lily more I find
The likeness true of Susan's mind.

Her modesty, and sweet, pure thoughts,
Fresh to my mind the Lily brought ;
Its beauty, purity, and grace
Dwell in her heart, shine in her face.

Dear Susan, may thy heart remain,
Like the white Lily, free from stain ;
Unlike the Lily—may naught ever
With ruthless hand its cords dis sever.

Tabitha.

SIGNIFICATION . . Clear Sighted.

EMBLEM Tulip.

SENTIMENT Beautiful Eyes.

To what can we compare thine eyes ?
To the rainbow in the skies ?
Would the pearly drops of dew,
Of thine eyes be emblem true ?
Would the glowing stars above,
Mirror forth thy glance of love ?

May they ever speak to us
Of thy heart in which we trust ;
May the skies' pure azure hue,
Remind us of thine eyes of blue ;
May no sorrows, cares, or fears,
Fill those eyes with bitter tears ;
May they shine on us each day,
Bright as now, with friendship's ray.

Theodosia.

SIGNIFICATION . . . God's Gift.

EMBLEM Potato Blossom.

SENTIMENT Beneficence

ANGEL of Charity ! who from above
Comest to dwell a pilgrim here,
Thy voice is music, thy smile is love,
And Pity's soul is in thy tear !
When on the shrine of God were laid
First fruits of all most good and fair,
That ever grew in Eden's shade,
Thine was the holiest offering there !

Hope, and her sister, Faith, were given,
But as our guides to yonder sky ;
Soon as they reach the verge of Heaven,
Lost in that blaze of bliss, they die.
But long as love, Almighty Love,
Shall on his throne of thrones abide,
Thou, Charity, shalt dwell above,
Smiling forever by His side.

MOORE.

Thirza.

SIGNIFICATION . . Benevolent.

EMBLEM Calycanthus.

SENTIMENT Benevolent.

SHE loveth to do good

Where'er she goes ; her heart is ever full,
 Yea, to o'erflowing filled with love to all ;
 And from this fountain deep, there ever flows
 Kind thoughts and words, and gentle deeds un-
 checked

By pride or love of self, but prompted e'er
 By high and holy principle, first taught,
 When Jesus gave that new and great command,—
 “Thy neighbor thou shalt love, as thou thyself
 Dost love.”

The suffering child of want pleads not
 In vain for aid, nor does the orphan's cry
 Fall all unheeded on her ear. For them
 She has a word, a look of love, or gifts,
 Which she bestows with cheerful heart and hand.

The bed of pain and sickness,
Angel-like there, she seems to wait with love,
Ministering aught of joy or comfort,
Or sympathy sincere.

O, she loveth,
In those dark hours of deep distress, to point
The soul away to Him, who all our griefs
And sorrows bore.

N. S. T.



Tryphena.

SIGNIFICATION . . Delicate.

EMBLEM Flower of an Hour.

SENTIMENT Delicate Beauty.

AH, little flower? why dost thou bloom
But one short hour, and fade so soon?
Why dost thou scarcely take a peep,
Then fold thy leaves and go to sleep?

Thy beauty's bright as it is brief,
So delicate and fair each leaf,
We gaze on thee with fond delight,
And wish that thou wert ever bright.

Like this frail flower we love so well,
Is our Tryphena! we foretell
Her growing charms and beauty rare,
Must fade, as fades this flower so fair.

We sigh to think her beauty's brief,
But we should not o'ercloud with grief
Beauty of soul,— 't is that we prize,
This flower eternal, never dies.

N. S. T.

Tryphosa.

SIGNIFICATION . . Ever Shining.

EMBLEM Austrian Rose.

SENTIMENT Very Lovely.

SEE that lovely beaming star
Rising o'er the western hills ;
Lighting up the wanderer's path,—
How his heart with pleasure thrills !

But for this his road were lonely ;
Dark and dreary were the way ;
None to guide and none to cheer,
Till the dawn of breaking day.

Like this guiding star of even,
With its mild and friendly light,
Is thy presence dear Tryphosa,
Making all my pathway bright.

Thus through all life's pilgrimage,
Beams thy glad and sunny smile ;
Thus thy sweet and winning graces
All my weary hours begile.

N. S. T.

M u n i n .

SIGNIFICATION . . Star-gazer.

EMBLEM Witch Hazel.

SENTIMENT A Spell.

WHY dost thou gaze so oft upon
 Those twinkling gems of night ?
 Knowest thou not a brighter star
 Gleams o'er our longing sight ?

There is a star — a beauteous star,
 Whose mild and cheering rays
 Light up this dreary darksome world,
 With hope's of brighter days.

This blessed light, so constant, pure,
 Adorns and cheers our way,
 And ever in our sky appears,
 To shed its genial ray.

The sick man hails its dawning light,
 It cheers his aching breast
 With promise of returning health,
 And hours of peaceful rest.

When sorrow veils the spirit's sky,
With deepest midnight gloom,
This star appears with welcome light,
And points beyond the tomb.

Faith pointeth upward to that world
Where the good and pure shall meet,
In one unbroken happy band,
Around the mercy seat.

N. S. T.



Victoria.

SIGNIFICATION . . Victory.

EMBLEM Palm Tree.

SENTIMENT Victor.

VICE can never dwell with thee
In thy soul of purity;
Charity, the blest of Heaven,
To thee is in large measure given;
O ever cherish virtue rare,
Resign it not to other's care;
Innocence shall thy helmet be,
And truth thy strongest panoply.



Silpa.

SIGNIFICATION . . Frailty.

EMBLEM Anemone.

SENTIMENT Frailty.

THOU canst not bear the storms of life ;
Too frail thou art for its stern strife ;
May no dark clouds thy sky o'ercast !
How could'st thou bear misfortune's blast ?
But folded in a loving heart,
There thou could'st act thy quiet part.

May no rude winds sweep o'er thy brow,
And lay my humble floweret low ;
But may affection's genial sun
Shine gently on my fair, frail one ;
And when life's storms around thee moan,
May some brave heart shelter thine own.



APPENDIX
TO
LEXICON OF LADIES' NAMES.

Agatha.

SIGNIFICATION . . Good, Excellent.
EMBLEM Everlasting.
SENTIMENT Always Remembered.

I THINK of thee when morning springs
From sleep, with plumage bathed in dew,
And, like a young bird, lifts her wings
Of gladness on the welkin blue.

And when, at noon, the breath of love
O'er flower and stream is wandering free,
And sent in music from the grove,
I think of thee, — I think of thee.

I think of thee, when soft and wide,
The evening spreads her robes of light,
And, like a young and timid bride,
Sits blushing in the arms of night.

And when the moon's sweet crescent springs
In light, o'er heaven's deep, waveless sea,
And stars are forth, like blessed things,
I think of thee, — I think of thee.

G. D. PRENTICE.

Annette.

SIGNIFICATION . . Benevolent.

EMBLEM Snow-Ball.

SENTIMENT . . . Virtues cluster around thee.

SHE is not very beautiful, if it be beauty's test
To match a classic model, when perfectly at rest ;
And she does not look bewitchingly, if witchery it be
To have a forehead and a lip transparent as the sea.

The fashion of her gracefulness is not a followed rule,
And her effervescent sprightliness was never learned at
school ;
And her words are all peculiar, like the fairies who
spoke pearls,
And her tones are ever sweetest 'midst the cadences of
girls.

Said I she is not beautiful? Her eyes upon your sight
Broke with the lambent purity of planetary light ;
And an intellectual beauty, like a light within a vase,
Touched every line with glory, of her animated face.

WILLIS.

Antoinette.

SIGNIFICATION . . Praiseworthy.

EMBLEM Primrose.

SENTIMENT Have confidence in me.

THE birds, when winter shades the sky,
Fly o'er the seas away,
Where laughing isles in sunshine lie,
And summer breezes play.

And thus the friends that flutter near,
While fortune's sun is warm,
Are startled if a cloud appear,
And fly before the storm.

But when, from winter's howling plains,
Each other warbler's past,
The little snow-bird still remains,
And chirrups 'midst the blast.

Love, like that bird, when friendship's throng
With fortune's sun depart,
Still lingers with its cheerful song,
And nestles on the heart.

W. LEGGETT.

Attalia.

SIGNIFICATION . . . One who increases.

EMBLEM King Cup.

SENTIMENT I wish I was rich.

WASTE treasure like water, ye noble and great !
 Spend the wealth of the world, to increase your estate ;
 Pile up your temples of marble, and raise
 Columns and domes, that the people may gaze
 And wonder at beauty so gorgeously shown,
 By subjects more rich than the king on his throne ;
 Lavish and squander, for why should ye save
 “ The sweat of the poor and the blood of the brave ” ?

Gold ! gold ! in all ages the curse of mankind,
 Thy fetters are forged for the soul and the mind :
 The limbs may be free as the wings of a bird,
 And the mind be the slave of a look and a word.
 To gain thee men barter eternity's crown,
 Yield honor, affection, and lasting renown,
 And mingle, like foam, with life's swift-rushing wave
 “ The sweat of the poor and the blood of the brave.”

PARK BENJAMIN.

Calista.

SIGNIFICATION . . The Most Beautiful.

EMBLEM Cactus.

SENTIMENT Perfect Beauty.

UNTOUCHED by mortal passion,
 Thou seem'st of heavenly birth,
 Pure as the effluence of a star
 Just reached our distant earth!
 Gave Fancy's pencil never
 To an ideal fair
 Such spiritual expression
 As thy sweet features wear.
 An inward light to guide thee
 Unto thy soul is given,
 Pure and serene as its divine
 Original in heaven.
 Type of the ransomed Psyche!
 How gladly, hand in hand,
 To some new world, I'd fly with thee
 From off this mortal strand.

ALDRICH.

Camilla.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Courage.

EMBLEM Black Poplar.

SENTIMENT Courage.

TRUE heart ! sink never !

Though darkly the clouds overshadow the sky ;
Yet the sun will beam forth when the shadows roll by,
Darkness lasteth not ever !

Fond heart ! faint never !

Though Eros may journey for many a mile,
There's an Anteros somewhere with welcoming smile ;
Love endureth forever.

Bold heart ! fail never !

Though fiercely the battle around thee may rage,
Thou hast cast ;— take not up thy venturesome gage
Till thy chains thou shalt sever.

Young heart ! hope ever !

No time for repining, while work is undone !
No harvesting time save when shineth the sun
Oh, repine ye then never !

DUGANNE.

Celesta, Celestine.

SIGNIFICATION . . The Heavenly.

EMBLEM Almond.

SENTIMENT Hope.

NEVER go gloomily, man with a mind ;
 Hope is a better companion than fear ;
 Providence, ever benignant and kind,
 Gives with a smile what you take with a tear ;
 All will be right ;
 Look to the light ;
 Morning is ever the daughter of night :
 All that was black will be all that was bright,
 Cheerily, cheerily, then cheer up.

Many a foe is a friend in disguise,
 Many a sorrow a blessing most true,
 Helping the heart to be happy and wise,
 With love ever precious and joys ever new ;
 Stand in the van ;
 Strive like a man ;
 This is the bravest and cleverest plan ;
 Trusting in God while you do what you can !
 Cheerily, cheerily, then cheer up.

TUPPER.

Elvira.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Of High Birth.

EMBLEM Rose Acacia.

SENTIMENT Elegance.

No, never since the fatal time
When the world fell for woman's crime,
Has heaven, in tender mercy sent —
All pre-ordaining, all foreseeing —
A breath of purity that lent
Existence to so fair a being !
Whatever earth can boast of rare,
Of precious and of good, —
Gaze on her form ; 'tis mingled there,
With added grace endued.
Why, why is she so much above
All others whom I might behold ?
Whom I, unblamed, might dare to love —
To whom my sorrows might be told ?

Written in 12th century.

Euphemia.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Good Omen.

EMBLEM Bird Cherry.

SENTIMENT Hope.

“ HOPE on! The clouds that gather thick before thee
 Hide the glad light that led thy steps afar ;
 But beams there not, on night's dark heaven o'er thee,
 Purely and brightly, gentle star on star ?

Hope on! Though the shadows shut out present glad-
 ness ;
 Not far beyond the sunlight lingers still ;
 Dim looks the valley in its misty sadness,
 Ere the bright day hath climbed the eastern hill.

There is a light, though secretly 'tis playing
 Round the dark edges of the clouds we fear ;
 Some missioned spirit, in our footsteps straying,
 Whispering the words of comfort and of cheer.

Hope on, I pray thee. Hope on in thy sorrow ;
 Brush from thine eye the fastly falling tear ;
 Thou know'st the night, though dark, must have a
 morrow,
 And after storms the rainbow will appear.”

Fredrika.

SIGNIFICATION . . Rich Pearl.

EMBLEM Cedar.

SENTIMENT You are entitled to my love.

I WILL not praise your form or face,
 Nor boast the lustre of your eyes ;
 Though beauty yours, and yours the grace
 Which knows no change, which time defies, —
 A pure and unsuspecting mind,
 A generous and confiding heart,
 With manners modest, gentle, kind
 Devoid of trickery and art.

You were not merely made for show
 Like butterfly just from the shell,
 To dazzle every foppish beau,
 And flutter as the village belle ;
 'Tis yours to charm the social hearth,
 Where dwell the real joys of life,
 And make a little heaven on earth
 For him who proudly calls you wife.

JOSSELYN.

Hebe.

SIGNIFICATION . . Blooming Youthfulness.

EMBLEM Variegated Pink.

SENTIMENT . . . You are fair and fascinating.

I LOVED thee for thy high-born grace,
Thy deep and lustrous eye,
For the sweet meaning of thy brow,
And for thy bearing high.
I loved thee for thy stainless truth,
Thy thirst for higher things,
For all that to our common lot
A better temper brings,
And are they not all thine — still thine?
Is not thy heart as true?
Holds not thy step its noble grace?
Thy cheek its dainty hue?
And have I not an ear to hear?
And a cloudless eye to see,
And a thirst for beautiful human thought,
That first was stirred by thee?

WILLIS.

Hortense, Hortensia.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Female Gardener.

EMBLEM China Aster.

SENTIMENT Love of Variety.

" NOT all the beauties of this joyous earth, —
 Its smiling valleys, or its azure sky,
 Or the sweet blossoms that in quiet mirth
 Turn their soft cheeks to winds that wander by, —
 Can please enough the ear, or satisfy the eye.

The warbling fountain, with its silver shower,
 The curling waves dissolving on the shore,
 The clouds that feed with dew each infant flower,
 The small stream's gentle song, the ocean's roar,
 All give the mind delight, and yet it pants for more.

The world is not our home, and thus our eye
 Is ever reaching upward, —like the dove
 That seeks a nest beneath a summer's sky,
 So we, amid earth's beauty, gaze above,
 And yearn to gain a sphere of holier joy and love."

Ida.

SIGNIFICATION . . Fair, Lovely.

EMBLEM Sweet William.

SENTIMENT A Smile.

THE snow-flake that the cliff receives,
 The diamonds of the showers,
 Spring's tender blossoms, buds, and leaves,
 The sisterhood of flowers,
 Morn's early beam, eve's balmy breeze,
 Her purity define ;
 But Ida's dearer far than these
 To this fond heart of mine.

MORRIS.

THE lilies faintly to the roses yield
 As on thy lovely cheek they struggling vie,
 (Who would not strive upon so sweet a field
 To win the mastery?)
 And thoughts are in thy speaking eyes revealed,
 Pure as the fount the prophet's rod unsealed.

HOFFMAN.

Jone.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Violet.

EMBLEM Sweet Brier.

SENTIMENT Simplicity.

OH ! fairest of the rural maids,
Thy birth was in the forest shades ;
Green boughs and glimpses of the sky
Were all that met thy infant eye.

Thy sports, thy wanderings, when a child,
Were ever in the sylvan wild,
And all the beauty of the place
Is in thy heart and on thy face.

The twilight of the trees and rocks
Is in the light shade of thy locks ;
Thy step is as the wind that weaves
Its playful way among the leaves.

Thy eyes are springs, in whose serene
And silent waters heaven is seen ;
Their lashes are the herbs that look
On their young figures in the brook.

The forest depths, by foot unpressed,
Are not more sinless than thy breast ;
The holy peace that fills the air
Of those calm solitudes is there.

BRYANT.

Imogen.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Equal Born.

EMBLEM Fleur de Lys.

SENTIMENT . . . Aristocracy.

I HAVE tasted each varied pleasure,
 And drank of the cup of delight ;
 I have danced to the gayest measure,
 In the halls of dazzling light.

I have dwelt in a blaze of splendor,
 And stood in the court of kings ;
 I have snatched at each toy that would render
 More rapid the flight of Time's wings.

But vainly I've sought for joy or peace
 In the life of light and shade ;
 And I turn with a sigh to my own dear home, —
 That home where my childhood played.

When jewels are sparkling round me,
 And dazzling with their rays,
 I weep for ties that bound me
 In life's first early days

I sigh for one of the sunny hours,
 Ere day was turned to night ;
 For one of my nosegays of fresh wild-flowers
 Instead of those jewels bright.

MRS. NORTON.

Isabella.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Beautiful Elizabeth.

EMBLEM Globe Amaranth.

SENTIMENT Unchangeable.

“THOU hast a heart unchanged,
Which boldly struggles still,
And with a hermit's strength has e'er maintained
A ceaseless war with ill.

A pure, chaste heart in thee,
And not a winged thing,
Which, like a swallow, flits from tree to tree,
And can but love in Spring.”

THINK not, beloved, time can break
The spell around us cast,
Or absence from my bosom take
The memory of the past ;
My love is not that silvery mist,
From summer blooms by sunbeams kissed, —
Too fugitive to last ;
A fadeless flower, it still retains
The brightness of its earlier stains.

ANON.

Jeannette.

SIGNIFICATION . . . The Amicable.

EMBLEM Pansy.

SENTIMENT Pleasant Thoughts.

I KNOW a green lane that leads down to a spring,
 Where all the long summer the bob-o-links sing ;
 Across it a willow its long branches throws,
 Beneath whose cool shadows 'tis sweet to repose ;
 The bright yellow cowslip grows thick on each side,
 And fresh watercresses are rocked on its tide.
 Long years have gone by since I sat on that spot,
 A fond, dreamy girl ; but 'tis not yet forgot !
 Oh ! softly and sweetly and gently it flows,
 That spring, on whose margin the willow-tree grows.

Ah ! well I remember, in life's early day,
 When I cared less, they told me, for work than for play,
 How oft I stole forth, when the birds were at rest,
 And the sun had gone down to his halls in the west,
 And, bending my steps to that clear, gushing spring,
 Myself on its brink would in ecstasy fling !
 Then visions more lovely than words can express,
 In hurrying crowds on my senses would press,
 While spirits of beauty before me uprose
 From the soft-flowing spring where the willow-tree
 grows.

Jerusha.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Exiled, Banished.

EMBLEM Lichen.

SENTIMENT Solitude.

FAREWELL ! my dear mother, farewell!
On earth I shall see thee no more ;
I go among heathen to dwell,
To die on a far distant shore.

But, mother, when far, far away,
Though wide-rolling oceans divide,
In dreams I shall visit thee still,
At night I shall rest by thy side.

While nature is wrapt in repose,
When all is so tranquil and mild,
I know you will think of me then ;
Oh, mother, then pray for your child !

Joseph.

SIGNIFICATION . . Addition.

EMBLEM Phlox.

SENTIMENT Our Souls are United.

ADAM.

Yes ! now I feel the charm divine,
 Yes ! now I feel the bliss, the pride,
 To press thee, dearest ! to my side,
 And join my early vows to thine.
 A unity in love cemented,
 Blest by thy presence, and by thee
 Gilded with smiles and purity,
 May make my exiled soul contented.
 Oh, sister ! — daughter ! — fairest bride !
 What shall I call thee ? Paradise
 Has million flowers that smiling rise
 To kiss thy feet, well satisfied.

EVE.

Love ! one shall be our will, and one
 Our fate from the first dawn of day,
 When the bright sun begins his way,
 To when his weary course is done.
 Peace, tenderness, and joy, — a shrine
 Sacred to cheerful love and praise
 To Him, the Lord of ceaseless days,
 Who blended thy fond heart with mine.

VONDEL.

Judith.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Praising.

EMBLEM Passion Flower.

SENTIMENT . . . Religious Fervor.

To prayer ! to prayer ! for the morning breaks,
 And earth in her Maker's smile awakes.
 His light is on all below and above, —
 The light of gladness and light and love.
 Oh, then, on the breath of this early air
 Send up the incense of grateful prayer !

To prayer ! for the glorious sun is gone,
 And the gathering darkness of night comes on.
 Like a curtain from God's kind hand it flows,
 To shade the couch where his children repose.
 Then kneel, while the watching stars are bright,
 And give your last thoughts to the Guardian of night.

To prayer ! for the day that God has blessed
 Comes tranquilly on, with its welcome rest.
 It speaks of creation's early bloom ;
 It speaks of the Prince who burst the tomb.
 Then summon the spirit's exalted powers,
 And devote to Heaven the hallowed hours.

HENRY WARE.

Juliet.

SIGNIFICATION . . Little Julia.

EMBLEM Birch.

SENTIMENT Gracefulness.

I'VE pleasant thoughts that memory brings,
In moments free from care,
Of a fairy-like and laughing girl,
With roses in her hair ;
Her smile was like the starlight
Of summer's softest skies
And worlds of joyousness there shone
From out her witching eyes.

Her looks were looks of melody,
Her voice was like the swell
Of sudden music, — notes of mirth,
That of wild gladness tell ;
She came, like spring, with pleasant sounds
Of sweetness and of mirth,
And her thoughts were those wild flowery ones
That linger not on earth.

MRS. L. P. SMITH.

Junia.

SIGNIFICATION . . Youthful.
EMBLEM Damask Rose.
SENTIMENT Bashful love.

I'LL tell thee a story, friend,
Here under this shady tree ;
If thou'lt keep it close in thy faithful breast,
I'll whisper the whole to thee.
I had a lover once,
In my early sunny hours ;
A fair and fanciful youth was he,
And he told his love in flowers.
I remember its waking sigh ;—
We roamed in a verdant spot,
And he culled for me a cluster bright
Of the purple " Forget-me-not."
But I was a giddy girl,
So I tossed it soon away,
Gathering the dandelion buds,
And the wild grapes' gadding spray.

He marked their blended hues
With sad reproachful eye ;
For one was the symbol of thoughtless mirth
And one of coquetry.
Yet he would not be baffled thus :
So he brought for my crystal vase
The rose-geranium's tender bloom,
And the blushing hawthorn's grace,
And a brilliant and fresh bouquet
Of the rich moss-rose he bore,
Whose eloquent buds, with dewdrops pearled,
Were full of the heart's deep lore.
I could not refuse the gift,
Though I knew the spell it wove ;—
But I gave him back a snow-white bud :
“Too young — too young to love.”

MRS. SIGOURNEY.

Lilian, Lilla, Leila.

SIGNIFICATION . . . A Lily.

EMBLEM Water Lily.

SENTIMENT . . . Purity of Heart.

AIRY, fairy Lilian,
 Flitting, fairy Lilian,
 When I ask her if she love me,
 Clasps her tiny hands above me,
 Laughing all she can ;
 She'll not tell me if she love me,
 Cruel little Lilian.

When my passion seeks
 Pleasance in love-sighs,
 She, looking through and through me
 Thoroughly to undo me,
 Smiling, never speaks :
 So innocent, arch, so cunning — simple,
 From beneath her gathered whimple,
 Glancing with black-beaded eyes,
 Till the lightning laughters dimple
 The baby roses in her cheeks ;
 Then away she flies.

TENNYSON.

Lisette.

SIGNIFICATION . . Light-footed, noiseless.
 EMBLEM Daily Rose.
 SENTIMENT Lightness.

HAST thou been in the woods with the honey bee?
 Hast thou been with the lamb in the pastures free?
 With the hare through the copses and dingles wild?
 With the butterfly over the heath, fair child?
 Yes: the light fall of thy bounding feet
 Hath not startled the wren from her mossy seat;
 Yet hast thou ranged the green forest dells,
 And brought back a treasure of buds and bells.

Thou knowest not the sweetness, by antique song
 Breathed o'er the names of that flowery throng;
 The woodbine, the primrose, the violet dim,
 The lily that gleams by the fountain's brim;
 These are old words that have made each grove
 A dreaming haunt for romance and love,—
 Each sunny bank, where faint odors lie,
 A place for the gushings of poesy.

MRS. HEMANS.

Leticia, Letice.

SIGNIFICATION . . Joy

EMBLEM Yellow Lily.

SENTIMENT Playful Gayety.

WHEN first you look upon her face
You little note beside
The timidness, that still betrays
The beauties it would hide :
But, one by one, they look out from
Her blushes and her eyes ;
And still the last, the loveliest —
Like stars from twilight skies.

And thoughts go sporting through her mind,
Like children among flowers ;
And deeds of gentle goodness are
The measure of her hours.
In soul or face, she bears no trace
Of one from Eden driven ;
But like the rainbow seems ; though born
Of earth, a part of heaven.

GEO. HILL.

Priscilla.

SIGNIFICATION . . . Ancient.

EMBLEM Meadow Saffron.

SENTIMENT Growing Old.

ANOTHER year ! another year !
 The unceasing rush of time sweeps on ;
 Whelmed in its surges, disappear
 Man's hopes and fears, forever gone !

Oh ! what concerns it him whose way
 Lies upward to the immortal dead
 That a few hairs are turning gray,
 Or one more year of life has fled ?

Swift years ! but teach me how to bear ;
 To feel and act with strength and skill ;
 To reason wisely, nobly dare,
 And speed your courses as ye will.

Press onward through each varying hour ;
 Let no weak fears thy course delay ;
 Immortal being ! feel thy power,
 Pursue thy bright and endless way.

A. NORTON.

Wilfred.

SIGNIFICATION . . Willing Peace.

EMBLEM Yellow Rose.

SENTIMENT Let us forget.

THERE is no true and constant gentleness without humility ; while we are so fond of ourselves, we are easily offended with others. Let us be persuaded that nothing is due to us, and then nothing will disturb us. Let us often think of our own infirmities, and we shall become indulgent toward those of others. Let us apply to our hearts these sublime and touching words of the Son of God : “ Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart.”

FENELON.

Zillab.

SIGNIFICATION . . Shadow.

EMBLEM Nightshade.

SENTIMENT Dark Thoughts.

THEY are mockery all — those skies, those skies,
Their untroubled depths of blue ;
THEY are mockery all — these eyes, these eyes
Which seem so warm and true, —
Each tranquil star in the one that lies,
Each meteor glance that at random flies
The other's lashes through.
THEY are mockery all — these flowers of spring,
Which her airs so softly woo ;
And the love to which we would madly cling,
Ay ! it is mockery too !
The winds are false which the perfume stir ;
And the looks deceive to which we sue ;
And love but leads to the sepulchre,
Which the flowers spring to strew.

HOFFMAN.

Zipporah.

SIGNIFICATION . . Beauty.

EMBLEM Orchis.

SENTIMENT A Belle.

HER air, her manners, all who saw admired,
Courteous though coy, and gentle though retired ;
The joy of youth and health her eyes displayed.
And ease of heart her every look conveyed ;
A native skill her simple robes expressed,
As with untutored elegance she dressed ;
The lads around admired so fair a sight,
The maiden felt, and felt she gave delight.
Admirers soon of every age she gained,
Her beauty won them and her worth retained.

CRABBE.

MESSAGE
OF FLOWERS





THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS.

BEAUTIFUL language ! Love's peculiar own,
Not for the cold, the careless to impart
By such sweet signs the silence of the heart.

Pickersgill.

EVERY flower represents a sentiment; and a bouquet, when offered to the object of affection, thus becomes the fanciful medium of conveying the most tender and unutterable things.

A.

ACACIA ROSE.—*Robinia hispida*.—Friendship.

If I do vow a friendship, I'll perform it.—*Shaks.*

ACACIA, YELLOW.—*Virg'ilialutea*.—Elegance.

Trifles themselves are elegant in him.—*Pope.*

ALMOND FLOWER.—*Brabeium*.—Perfidy.

Stealing her soul with many vows of faith, and ne'er
a true *one*.—*Shaks.*

AMBROSIA.—*A. maritima*.—Love returned.

She was beloved, she loved.—*Shaks.*

AMARYLLIS.—*A. formosissima*.—Splendid beauty.

With looks too bright and beautiful for such a world
as this.

ANEMONE.—Wildflower.—Expectation.

For him she breathes the silent sigh forlorn,
Each setting day, for him each rising morn.

Darwin.

ADONIS.—Pheasant's eye.—Sorrowful remembrances.

Regretted raptures, long remembered woes—*Rogers.*

AMERICAN STAR WORT.—*Aster tradescanti*.—Cheerfulness in old age.

I've lived to know my share of joy,
And sing the good old times.

ARKANSAS COREOPSIS.—*Coreopsis tinctoria*.—I would rather not answer.

If you oblige me suddenly to choose,
My choice is made; for I must you refuse.—*Dryden.*

ARBOR VITÆA.—*Thuja occidentalis*.—Live for me.

I live in pleasure when I live to thee.—*Doddridge.*

AURICALA.—*Primula*.—Avarice.

Nor love his peace of mind destroys;
Nor wicked avarice of wealth.—*Dryden.*

ALTHÆA.—Consumed by Love.

My heart's on flame, and dies like fire,
* * * To her aspire.—*Cowley.*

AMARANTH, globe.—*A. globosa*.—Unchangeable.

Unalterably firm, his love entire.—*Milton.*

AMARANTH.—*Amaranthus*.—Immortality.

His love was an eternal plant, whereof the root was
fixed in virtue's ground.—*Shaks.*

Immortality of Love.

BY SOUTHEY.

THEY sin who tell us love can die;
 With life all other passions fly,
 All others are but vanity.
 In heaven ambition cannot dwell;
 Nor avarice in the vaults of hell.
 Earthly, these passions are of earth,
 They perish where they have their birth.
 But love is indestructible;
 Its holy flame forever burneth;
 From heaven it came, to heaven returneth;
 Too oft on earth a troubled guest,
 At times deceived, at times opprest,
 It here is tried and purified,
 And hath in heaven its perfect rest;
 It soweth here with toil and care,
 But the harvest time of love is there.

B.

BACHELOR'S BUTTON.—*Ranunculus acris pleno*.—I with
 the morning's love have oft made sport.

When I said I would die a bachelor, I did not think
 I should live till I were married.—*Shaks.*

BLUE BOTTLE.—*Centaurea cyanus*.—Constancy.

But I am constant as the northern star.—*Shaks.*

BELVIDERE.—Scopariadulcis.—I declare against you.
Miserable most, to love unloved.—*Shaks.*

BALSAM APPLE.—Momordica.—Impatience.
Impatience waiteth on true sorrow.—*Shaks.*

BAY LEAF.—Laurus.—I change but in dying.
No: let the eagle change his plume,
The leaf its hue, the flower its bloom;
But ties around this heart are spun,
That could not, would not be undone.—*Campbell.*

BALM.—Melissa.—Sympathy.
A world of earthly blessing to my soul,
If sympathy of love unite our thoughts.—*Shaks.*

The Tear.

BY LORD BYRON.

WHEN Friendship or Love
Our sympathies move;
When Truth, in a glance, shall appear,
The lips may beguile,
With a dimple or smile,
But the test of affection's a Tear.

Too oft is a smile
By the hypocrite's wile,
To mark detestation or fear;
Give me the soft sigh,
Whilst the soul telling eye
Is dimm'd, for a time, with a Tear.

Mild Charity's glow,
To us mortals below,
Shows the soul from barbarity clear;
Compassion will melt,
Where this virtue is felt,
And its dew is diffus'd in a Tear.

The man doom'd to sail,
With the blast of the gale,
Through billows Atlantic to steer,
As he bends o'er the wave,
Which may soon be his grave,
The green sparkles bright with a Tear.

The soldier braves death,
For a fanciful wreath,
In glory's romantic career;
But he raises the foe,
When in battle laid low,
And bathes every wound with a Tear.

If, with high bounding pride,
He returns to his bride,
Renouncing the gore-crimson'd spear;
All his toils are repaid,
When embracing the maid,
From her eye-lid he kisses the Tear.

Sweet scene of my youth,
Seat of Friendship and Truth,
Where Love chas'd each fast-fleeting year;
Loath to leave thee, I mourn'd,
For a last look I turn'd,
But thy spire was scarce seen through a Tear.

Though my vows I can pour,
To my Mary no more,
My Mary, to Love once so dear;
In the shade of her bow'r,
I remember the hour,
She rewarded those vows with a Tear.

By another possesst,
May she live ever blest,
Her name still my heart must revere;
With a sigh I resign
What I once thought was mine,
And forgive her deceit with a Tear.

Ye friends of my heart,
Ere from you I depart,
This hope to my breast is most near;
If again we shall meet
In this rural retreat,
May we meet as we part with a Tear.

When my soul wings her flight
To the regions of night,
And my corse shall recline on its bier,
As ye pass by the tomb,
Where my ashes consume,
Oh ! moisten their dust with a Tear.

May no marble bestow
The splendor of woe,
Which the children of vanity rear;
No fiction or fame
Shall blazon my name,
All I ask, all I wish, is a Tear !

C.

CYPRUS.—*Cupressus sempervirens*.—Despair.

The lifted arm of mute despair arrest,
And snatch the dagger pointed at his breast.
Darwin.

CALYCANTHUS.—*C. floridus*.—Benevolence.

Nature all—is blooming and benevolent like thee.
Thomson.

COWSLIP.—*Primula veris*.—Winning Grace.

A soft subduing grace around her breathed.—*F.*

CHINA ASTER, SINGLE.—*Aster chinensis*.—I will think of it.

Be not disheartened then, nor cloud those looks
That wont to be moré cheerful and serene.—*Milton.*

CHINA ASTER, DOUBLE.—*A. chinensis*, pleno.—I partake your sentiments.

Mutual love, the crown of all our bliss.—*Milton.*

COLUMBINE, RED.—*Aquilegia v. rubra*.—Anxious and trembling.

How throb'd my fluttering pulse with hopes and fears.

COLUMBINE, PURPLE.—*Aquilegia v. purpurea*.—Resolved to win.

This hand I cannot but in death resign.—*Dryden.*

CANTERBURY BELL.—*Campanula medium*.—Gratitude.

The debt immense of endless gratitude.—*Milton.*

CONVOLVULUS.—Morning Glory.—Uncertainty.

Hope and fear alternate sway'd his breast.—*Home.*

CROWN IMPERIAL.—*Fritillaria imperialis*.—Majestic power.

In his face sat meekness, heightened with majestic grace.

CHRYSANTHEMUM, WHITE.—*Othonna*.—Truth.
If you knew his pure heart's truth.—*Shaks.*

CHRYSANTHEMUM, ROSE.—I Love.
And I will speak, that so my heart may burst.
Shaks.

CHRYSANTHEMUM, YELLOW.—Slighted Love.
Was it for this I loved him so,
And lavished hopes that brightly shone?—*C. G.*

CARDINAL FLOWER.—*Lobelia cardinalis*.—Distinction.
Keen are the pains advancement often brings.
Hurdis.

CATCHFLY, RED.—*Lychnis viscaria*.—I fall into a trap that is laid for me.
Yet who would have suspected an ambush where I was taken.—*Shaks.*

CATCHFLY, WHITE.—*Lychnis v. alba*.—Youthful Love.
It is the show and seal of nature's truth,
When love's strong passion is impress'd in youth.
Shaks.

CROCUS.—*C. vernus*.—Cheerfulness.
Frame your mind to mirth and merriment; which bars a thousand harms and lengthens life.
Shaks.

Smiles.

BY MISS H. F. GOULD.

Down in my solitude under the snow,
Where nothing cheering can reach me;
Here without light to see how they grow,
I'll trust to nature to teach me.

I will not despair—nor be idle, nor frown,
Locked in so gloomy a dwelling;
My leaves shall run up, and my roots shall run down.
While the bud in my bosom is swelling.

Soon as the frost will get out of my bed,
From this cold dungeon to free me,
I will peer up with my little bright head,
And all will be joyful to see me.

Then from my heart will young petals diverge,
As rays of the sun from their focus;
I from the darkness of earth will emerge,
A happy and beautiful Crocus!

Many, perhaps, from so simple a flower,
This little lesson may borrow,
Patient to-day, through its gloomiest hour,
We come out the brighter to-morrow.

D

DOGWOOD BLOSSOM.—*Cornus Florida*.—I am perfectly indifferent to you.

If e'er I loved her, all that love is gone.—*Shaks.*

DAHLIA.—*Dahlia superflua*.—Happy Love.

To feel that we adore
To such refined excess,
That though the heart would break with more,
It could not do with less.—*Moore.*

DAISY.—*Bellis*.—Beauty unknown to the possessor.

The beauty that is borne in her face, the bearer
knows not of.—*Shaks.*



The Daisy.

BY WILLIAM WORDSWORTH.

In youth from rock to rock I went,
From hill to hill in discontent,
Of pleasure high and turbulent,
Most pleased when most uneasy;
But now my own delights I make—
My thirst at every rill can slake,
And gladly Nature's love partake
Of thee, sweet daisy!

When winter decks his few gray hairs,
Thee in the scanty wreath he wears;
Spring parts the clouds with softest airs,
That she may sun thee :
Whole summer-fields are thine by right,
And Autumn, melancholy wight !
Doth in thy crimson head delight,
When rains are on thee.

In shoals and bands, a morrice train,
Thou greet'st the traveller in the lane;
If welcomed once thou com'st again;
Thou art not daunted;
Nor car'st if thou be set at nought
And oft alone, in nooks remote,
We meet thee, like a pleasant thought,
When such are wanted.

The violets in their secret mews,
The flowers the wanton zephyrs choose; ·
Proud be the rose, with rains and dews
Her head impearling;
Thou liv'st with less ambitious name,
Yet hast not gone without thy fame;
Thou art, indeed, by many a claim,
The poet's darling.

If to a rock from rains he fly,
Or some bright day of April's sky,
Imprisoned by hot sunshine lie
Near the green holly;

And wearily at length should fare;
He need but look about, and there
Thou art !—a friend at hand, to scare
His melancholy.

A hundred times, by rock or bower
Ere thus I have lain couched an hour,
Have I derived from thy sweet power
Some apprehension;
Some steady love; some brief delight;
Some memory that had taken flight;
Some charm of fancy, wrong or right;
Or stray invention.

If stately passions in me burn,
And one chance look to thee should turn,
I drink out of an humble urn
A lowlier pleasure;
The homely sympathy that heeds,
The common life our nature breeds
A wisdom fitted to the needs
Of hearts at leisure.

When smitten by the morning ray,
I see thee rise, alert and gay,
Then, cheerful flower ! my spirits play
With kindred gladness;
And when at dusk by dews oppressed,
Thou sink'st, the image of thy rest
Hath often eased my pensive breast
Of careful sadness.

And all day long I number yet,
 All seasons through, another debt,
 Which I, wherever thou art met,
 To thee am owing;
 An instinct call it, a blind sense,
 A happy genial influence,
 Coming, one knows not how, or whence,
 Nor whither going.

Child of the year ! that round dost run
 Thy course, bold lover of the sun,
 And cheerful, when the day's begun,
 As morning leveret—
 Thy long-lost praise thou shalt regain,
 Dear shalt thou be to future men,
 As in old time; thou, not in vain,
 Art Nature's favorite.

E.

EVERGREEN IVY.—*Hedera*.—Conjugal Affection.

Their conjugal affection still is tied.—*Dryden*.

EGLANTINE.—*Rosa rubiginosa*.—I wound to heal.

Now show the wound mine eyes have made in thee.
Shaks.

EVERLASTING PEA.—*Lathyrus latifolia*.—An appointed meeting.

Lovers break not hours, except it be to come before
 their time.—*Shaks.*

EVERLASTING.—*Gnaphalium*.—Never ceasing remembrances.

So turns the impatient needle to the pole,
 Though mountains rise between and oceans roll.
Darwin.

Remember Me.

BY THOMAS HAYNES BAILEY.

REMEMBER me, when far away,
 I journey o'er the world's wide waste;
 Remember me, at early day,
 Or when the evening shadows haste;
 When high the pensive moon appears,
 And Night with all her starry train,
 Gives rest to human hopes and fears,
 Remember me, far o'er the main.

Remember me, whene'er you sigh,
 Be it at midnight's pensive hour;
 Remember me, and think that I
 Return that sigh, and feel its power.
 Whene'er you think on those away,
 Or when you bend the pious knee,
 Or when your thoughts on pleasure stray,
 Oh, then, remember me.

F.

FOXGLOVE.—*Digitalis*.—A Wish.

O, that I were a glove upon that hand, that I might
 touch that cheek.—*Shaks.*

FORGET ME NOT.—Fond Remembrance,

Forget me not, for alas! we may never meet again.

Forget Me Not.

BY C. F. EDGAR.

Oh ! Lady, take this drooping flower,
'Twill call to mind our parting hour,
This simple plant, whate'er my lot,
In silence says—" Forget me not."

When on the ocean far away,
Or in other lands I stray;
When stormy winds howl round thy cot,
'Twill tell thy heart—" Forget me not."

E'en when 'tis withered, think of me,
Ah ! many thoughts I'll waft to thee;
Though I no more may see the spot,
'Twill whisper thee—" Forget me not."

And now farewell ! where'er I flee,
All hopes and joys shall rest on thee;
Ne'er from thy heart my memory blot—
I ask but this—" Forget me not."

G.

GILLYFLOWER.—*Cheiranthus incarnus*.—Bonds of Affec-
tion.

If this, he cried, bondage be,
Who would wish for liberty?—*Moore*.

GRAPE, WILD.—*Vitis vulpina*.—Charity.

No harsh reflections let remembrance raise,
Forbear to mention what thou canst not praise.
Prior.

GERANIUM, ROSE.—*Pelargonium capitatum*.—Preference.

But thee I love, by love's own sweet constraint.

Shaks.

My Geranium.

BY MISS E. BOGART.

"I never loved a tree or flower,
But 'twas the first to fade away."

Oh, no—it will not flourish 'neath my hand !
It had grown beautiful, while unobserved
And left neglected; and when suddenly
I saw its full and rich luxuriance,
Its thick and crowded leaves, as green and bright
As England's boasted forest foliage,
I took it from its hiding place, and cast
An eye of love upon it. Better far
Had it remained forgotten in the shade,
And died "the death of flowers;" when winter's blasts
Pierc'd thro' the sheltering vine, whose tendrils twin'd
Around its slender stems.

Why did I break
So beautiful a union? Why unwind
The graceful, clasping vine, that in its place
My waste affections might entwine themselves?
Oh, they have been but like the deadly nightshade,
Killing what they embraced. It is in vain
I watch, and nurse, and cherish it—it droops,

And withers, and decays—'twould almost seem
As, by a strange and mystic sympathy,
It felt the chill which circles round my heart,
And knew that the sered feelings could alone
Claim with the "yellow-leaf" affinity.
Perhaps its freshness had too much the air
Of the first paradise, still to thrive on
Where human passions come, like darkling clouds,
To mar, full often, nature's loveliness.
Or it might be that its green beauty wore
Too much the coloring of hope and joy,
To flourish long where they so frequent die—
Too much the hue of thy young thoughts, whose themes
Are brighter than the brightest things on earth;
Or else it was that I had found in it
Something to love—something on which to dwell
In confidence, that as it grew more dear,
From habit, or association's power,
It would not leave me. How could I forget
That all things are unstable—that to hope
Is to be disappointed—and to love
Is but to spend the heart's deep energies
Upon a wild and speculative dream !

H.

HAWTHORN.—*Cretægus*.—Hope.

Hope ! the sad lover's only friend.—*Cowley*.

HELIOTROPE.—*Heliotropium*.—Devotion.

Cross your meek arms, incline your wreatned brows,
And win the goddess with unwearied vows—*Darwin*.

HYACINTH.—Hyacinthus.—Jealousy.

Love thou knowest, is full of jealousy.—*Shaks.*

HONEYSUCKLE, MONTHLY.—Lonicera belgica.—I would not answer hastily.

We would consider of your suit,
And come some other time to know our mind.—*Shaks.*

HONEYSUCKLE, CORAL.—Lonicera sempervirens.—The color of my Fate.

Pierced through the heart with your stern cruelty!
Shaks.

HONESTY, or SATIN-LEAF.—Lunaria.—Sincerity.

My heart is true as steel.—*Shaks.*

HYDRANGEA.—Hydrangea hortensis.—A Boaster.

I am the very pink of courtesy!—*Cowley.*

HONEYFLOWER.—Melianthus.—Speak low if you speak love.

And tell with honied words the tale of love.—*Darwin.*

HOLLYHOCK.—Alcea rosea.—Variety.

Skilled alike to dazzle and to please.—*Rogers.*

HEART'S EASE, PURPLE.—Viola tricolor—Forget me not.

Though we should meet no more,
Sweet maid, forget me not.

HEART'S EASE, YELLOW and PURPLE.—You occupy my thoughts.

X Neither rhyme nor reason can express how much.
Shaks.

Hope and Love.

ONE day, through fancy's telescope,
Which is my richest treasure,
I saw, dear Susan, Love and Hope,
Set out in search of pleasure;
All mirth and smiles I saw them go;
Each was the other's banker;
For Hope took up her brother's bow
And Love, his sister's anchor.

They rambled on o'er vale and hill,
They passed by cot and tower;
Through summer's glow and winter's chill,
Through sunshine and through shower:
But what did those fond playmates care
For climate or for weather?
All scenes to them were bright and fair,
On which they gazed together.

Sometimes they turned aside to bless
Some muse and her wild numbers,
Or breathe a dream of holiness
On beauty's quiet slumbers;
"Fly on," said Wisdom, with cold sneers;
"I teach my friends to doubt you;"
"Come back," said Age, with bitter tears,
"My heart is cold without you."

When Poverty beset their path,
And threatened to divide them,
They coaxed away the beldame's wrath,
Ere she had breath to chide them,
By vowing all her rags were silk,
And all her bitters, honey,
And showing taste for bread and milk,
And utter scorn of money.

They met stern Danger in their way,
Upon a ruin seated;
Before him kings had quaked that day,
And armies had retreated.
But he was robed in such a cloud,
As Love and Hope came near him,
That though he thundered long and loud,
They did not see or hear him.

A grey-beard joined them, Time by name;
And Love was nearly crazy,
To find that he was very lame,
And also very lazy;
Hope, as he listened to her tale,
Tied wings upon his jacket;
And then they far outran the mail,
And far outsailed the packet.

And so, when they had safely passed
O'er many a land and billow,
Before a grave they stopped at last,
Beneath a weeping willow;
The moon upon the humble mound

Her softest light was flinging;
 And from the thickets all around
 Sad nightingales were singing.

“I leave you here,” quoth father Time,
 As hoarse as any raven;
 And Love kneeled down to spell the rhyme
 Upon the rude stone graven;
 But Hope looked onward, calmly brave,
 And whispered, “Dearest brother,
 We’re parted on this side the grave,
 We’ll meet upon the other.”

I.

IVY.—Friendship.

I love the ivy-mantled tower
 Rocked by the storms of thousand years.
Cunningham.

IRIS, A FLAG.—I have a message for you.

Tell thyself what I would say,
 Thou know’st it, and I feel too much to pray.
Dryden

FOND Love, who lives in my heart for thee,
 Had a message this morning he wanted to send,
 While Fear, who will ever beside him be,
 Cried, “Better beware my friend!”

But then, sweet Memory woke awhile,
 And softly she told in Love’s true ear,
 Of a certain bewitching and eloquent smile,
 Which *you* have forgotten, I fear!

Young Hope, who was listening, caught the sound,
 All beaming with light, as she flew to Love—
 “Oh! round my wings, be your billet-doux bound,
 And I’ll be your carrier-dove!”

’Twas done—Hope went—(she knows the way
 By heart, for she’s travelled it oft ere now)—
 Ah! send her back to me, sweet, I pray,
 With the same unclouded brow!

She will furl, at your feet, her weary wing,
 And oh! if the billet she bears be fled, [string—
 Think that Fear must have followed and loosened the
 And just guess all that Love would have said.

F. S. OSGOOD.

J.

JASMINE, WHITE.—*Jasmine officinale*.—Amiability.
 Still o’er my life preserve thy mild control,
 Correct my view, and elevate my soul.—*Rogers*.

JASMINE, YELLOW.—*J. odoratissimum*.—Grace and elegance.
 Graceful to sight, and elegant to thought.—*Young*.

JONQUIL.—*Narcissus Jonquilla*.—I desire a return of affection.
 Dissolve me into ecstacies,
 And bring all heaven before mine eyes.—*Milton*.

I Think of Thee.

BY D. M. MOIR.

WHEN thou at eventide art roaming
Along the elm o'er-shadowed walk,
Where fast the eddying stream is foaming
Beneath its tiny cataract,—
— Where I with thee was wont to talk—
Think thou upon the days gone by
And heave a sigh!

When sails the moon above the mountains,
And cloudless skies are purely blue,
And sparkle in the light the fountains,
And darker frowns the lovely yew,—
Then be thou melancholy too.
When musing on the hours I proved
With thee, beloved!

When wakes the dawn upon thy dwelling,
And lingering shadows disappear,
And soft the woodland songs are swelling,
A choral anthem on thine ear,
Think—for that hour to thought is dear,
And then her flight remembrance brings
To by-past things.

To me, through every season dearest,
 In every scene—by day, by night—
 Thou present to my mind appearest
 A quenchless star, forever bright!
 My solitary, sole delight!
 Alone—in grove—by shore—at sea—
 I think of thee!

L.

LUPINE.—Lupinus.—Imagination.

Where beams of warm imagination play.—*Pope.*

LUPINE, WILD.—L. perennis —Dissension.

Oh! why rebuke him that loves you so?—*Shaks.*

LOTUS.—Birdsfoot, trefoil.—Revenge.

In revenge of my contempt of love, love hath chased
 sleep from my enthralled eyes.—*Shaks.*

LILAC, WHITE.—Syringa vulgaris, alba.—Youth.

Oh! would that life were ever thus
 As beautiful and gay.—*W. B. G.*

LILAC, PURPLE.—S. purpurea.—The first emotion of love.

She loves and she confesses too.—*Cowley.*

LAVENDER.—Lavendula.—Distrust.

Trust him not, his words, though sweet,
 Seldom with his heart do meet.—*B. Jonson.*

LABURNUM.—Cytisus Laburnum.—Pensive Beauty.

Fair was her form, but who can hope to trace
 The pensive softness of her angel face.—*Rogers.*

LOVE LIES BLEEDING.—*Amaranthus caudatus*.—Hopeless not Heartless.

The dead will soon forget; and I
Shall soon be with the dead.—*F.*

LADIES' SLIPPER.—*Cypripedium*.—Capricious Beauty.

Fair *Cypripedia*, with successful guile,
Knits her smooth brow, extinguishes her smile.
Darwin.

LAURISTINUS.—*Viburnum tinus*.—A Token.

A *Laurustinus* bear in blossom to my love

LARKSPUR.—*Delphinium*.—Lightness.

For unto knight there is no greater shame,
Than lightness and inconstancy of love.—*Spenser.*

LOVE IN A MIST.—*Nigella Damascena*.—Perplexity.

Love in these labyrinths his slave detains.—*Pope.*

LOCUST BLOSSOM.—*Ceratonia*.—Affection beyond the grave.

In his grave assure thyself my love is buried.—*Shaks.*

LILY OF THE VALLEY.—*Canvallaria majalis*.—Delicacy.

Not more fair the valley's treasure,
Nor more sweet her lily blows.

LILY, YELLOW.—*Hemerocallis flava*.—Falsehood.

And yet he falsely said he was in love.—*Dryden.*

LILY, WHITE.—*Lilium Candidum*.—Purity and sweetness.

Everything about her resembles the purity of her
soul.—*Low.*

The White Lily.

BY MRS. HENRY TIGHE.

How withered, perished, seems the form,
Of yon obscure unsightly root;
Yet from the blight of wintry storm
It hides secure the precious fruit.

The careless eye can find no grace,
No beauty in the scaly folds,
Nor see within the dark embrace
What latent loveliness it holds.

Yet in that bulb, those sapless scales,
The lily wraps her silver vest,
Till vernal suns and vernal gales
Shall kiss once more her fragrant breast.

Yes, hide beneath the mouldering heap,
The undelighting slighted thing;
There, in the cold earth, buried deep,
In silence let it wait the spring.

Oh! many a stormy night shall close
In gloom upon the barren earth,
While, still, in undisturbed repose,
Uninjured lies the future birth;

And Ignorance, with skeptic eye,
Hope's patient smile shall wandering view;
Or mock her fond credulity,
As her soft tears the spot bedew.

Sweet smile of hope, delicious tear!
The sun, the shower indeed shall come;
The promised verdant shoot appear,
And Nature bid her blossoms bloom.

And thou, O virgin queen of spring,
Shalt, from thy dark and lowly bed,
Bursting thy green shade's silken string,
Unveil thy charms, and perfume shed;

Unfold thy robes of purest white,
Unsullied from thy darksome grave,
And thy soft petals' silvery light
In the mild breeze unfettered wave.

So Faith shall seek the lowly dust
Where humble sorrow loves to lie,
And bid her thus her hopes intrust,
And watch with patient, cheerful eye.

And bear the long, cold wintry night,
And bear her own degraded doom,
And wait till heaven's reviving light,
Eternal spring! shall burst the gloom.

M.

MYRTLE.—Myrtus.—Love Positive.

I court others in verse, but love thee in prose.—*Prior*.

MIGNONETTE.—Reseda Odorata.—Your qualities surpass
your lovelinsss.

Charms strike the sight, but merit wins the soul.
Pope.

MIMOSA.—M. pudica.—Sensitiveness.

I cannot bear that altered brow.—*F.*

MARVEL of PERU.—Mirabilis Jalapa.—Timidity.

With easy smiles dispelled the silent fear,
That durst not tell me what I died to hear.—*Prior*.

MARIGOLD, FRENCH.—Tagetes, Patula.—Treachery.

O, what a goodly outside falsehood hath!—*Shaks.*

MARIGOLD, AFRICAN.—Tagetes, Erecta.—Cruelty.

'Tis cruelty to load a falling man.—*Shaks.*

MOCK ORANGE.—Coronarius.—Counterfeit.

I'll trust at leisure him that mocks me once.—*Shaks.*

MOUNTAIN PINK.—Dianthus Cæsius.—Aspiring.

Fain would I climb, but that I fear to fall.
Sir W. Raleigh.

MINT.—Mentha.—Faint heart ne'er won fair lady.

If you do fear, then do not climb at all—*Q. Elizabeth.*

MEADOW SAFFRON.—Colchicum Autumnale.—My best
days are past.

'Tis greatly wise to know before we're told,
The melancholy truth that we grow old.—*Young.*

Constant Love.

BY BERNARD BARTON.

Nay, tell me not, my dearest,
That time has dimm'd thy eye;
Still, still my path thou cheerest,
As in days that are gone by.
Say not thy cheek is faded,
By sorrows, cares and fears;
That thy brow is somewhat shaded
By the clouds of other years.
If time much more had taken,
I could forgive each theft;
Whilst thy heart remained unshaken,
And its love for me was left.

I, too, am something older
Than when I met with thee;
But hearts become no colder,
If they are what hearts should be.
Thy own has never altered,
As years have o'er me past;—
Thy love has never faltered,
When my brow has been o'ercast.
Then tell me not of changes,
In cheek, or brow, or hair;
The love such loss estranges
Must be lighter far than air.

Though morning's early splendor
 May rapture's thrill impart,
 The vesper hour, more tender,
 Sinks deeper in the heart.
 Though spring be gay with roses,
 And summer skies are clear,
 Yet autumn's hand encloses
 The richest harvest of the year.
 E'en age's wintry weather
 Inspires no thought of gloom,
 In hearts that share together
 Hopes of bliss beyond the tomb!

IN.

NARCISSUS.—Egotism and Self-Love.

Nor knew, fond youth, it was himself he loved.—*Ovid.*

NASTURTIUM.—*Tropœlum Majus*.—A warlike trophy.

————— My fate pursue,
 I suffer for the rest, I die for you.—*Dryden.*

Serenade.

To thee—when morn is shining,
My early homage tends;
To thee, when day's declining,
My evening song ascends.
When grief is sternly swelling,
And hope's no longer free,
I fly my humble dwelling
To thee—to thee!

Come forth—thy step is lightest,
And watchful eyes may see;
Come forth—thy smile is brightest,
And I am proud of thee—
Come forth—rich lips are parting,
And thought appears in glee,
And sunny eyes are darting
To thee—to thee!

To thee—upon the waters,
I wake the serenade;
Thou sweetest of earth's daughters,
My gentle southern maid.
Come forth—when thou appearest,
Our path is bright and free;
I bring a true heart, dearest,
To thee—to thee!

O.

OLEA.—Olive.—Peace.

Our peace shall stand firm as rocky mountains.
Shaks.

OLEANDER.—Nerium.—Beware!

Some Cupid kills with arrows, some with traps.
Shaks.

OAK.—Hospitality.

Your generous nature is beyond express.—*Clark.*

OLIVE.—Peace.

The Dove of Peace shall nestle in your breast.—*Jones.*

OSIER.—Frankness.

Be frank and fearless and you will be free.—*Brown.*

ORANGE BLOSSOM.—Citrus Aurantium.—Your purity equals your loveliness.

Nought can be diviner than those soft spring eyes,
Telling of thoughts all pure and bright within.

Purity and Loveliness.

BY WILLIAM P. PALMER.

It was not beauty's outward mien,
That won my heart to thee;
For I a fairer form have seen,
Eyes of more witchery.
And I have seen a darker tress
O'ershade a whiter brow;
A cheek of richer tintedness,
A lip of rubier glow.

Yet these, man's wild and wayward heart
To love can never bind,
Unless a kindred counterpart
Is mirror'd by the mind.
It was thy spirit's gentle air,
So indescribable—
That formed my frail heart's guileless snare,
Its syren and its spell.

Each free and joyous word, that flowed
In music from thy tongue,
Like gush of marble fountain, showed
The pure source whence it sprung.
I never saw a cloud come o'er
Thy brow of virgin snow,
Except when pity bade thee pour
The tear for others' woe.

Oft in our beamy walks by night,
 With fancy's influence fraught,
 While gazing on thy face of light,
 All radiant with thought,
 I've deemed thou wert that long-lost star,
 Bright Pleione's birth,
 That, pitying, from thy home afar,
 Came down to gladden earth.

For sure thy young heart's purity,
 Its passions and its powers,
 Are all too perfect, love, to be
 Of this frail world of ours.
 Therefore I loved thee, as one might
 A bird by angels given,
 Within whose bosom dwells the light
 Of innocence and heaven!

P.

PEA BLOSSOM.—*Lathyrus*.—Fickleness.

We in vain the fickle sex pursue,
 Who change the constant lover for a new.—*Prior*.

POLYANTHUS.—*Primula Polyanthus*.—Confidence.

Be as just and gracious unto me,
 As I am confident and kind to thee.—*Shaks*.

PRIMROSE.—*Primula Veris*.—Unpatronised Merit.

Be thou the first true merit to befriend;
 His praise be lost who waits till all commend.—*Pope*.

PRIMROSE, EVENING.—*Oenothera*.—Pleasures of memory.

Still the fond lover views his absent maid.—*Rogers*.

PINK, VARIEGATED.—*Dianthus*.—Refusal.

Retire, I beg you! leave me!—*Dryden*.

PÆONY.—*Pæonia*.—Bashful Shame.

I have marked a thousand blushing apparitions to start into her face; a thousand innocent shames in angel whiteness bear away those blushes.—*Shaks.*

PINK, WHITE.—Ingenuousness.

Nor strove she with dissembling art to hide
A love at once her happiness and pride.

PINK, INDIAN.—*D. Chinensis*.—Aversion.

Shall I go on? Or have I said enough?—*Milton*.

PINK, RED.—Lively and pure Affection.

He loves you with such pure and holy fire,
As will not, cannot but with life expire.—*Dryden*.

POPPY, WHITE.—*Papaver Somniferum*.—My bane, my antidote.

Doomed to heal, or doomed to kill;
Fraught with good, or fraught with ill.

Mrs. Robinson.

POPPY, RED.—Consolation.

Thy gentle voice shall whisper kinder things.

Shenstone.

PHLOX.—Unanimity.

Whose souls do bear an equal share of love.—*Shaks.*

PERIWINKLE, WHITE.—*Vinca*.—Pleasing Remembrances.

Some little friendship formed and cherished here.

Rogers.

PASSION FLOWER.—*Passiflora*.—Susceptibility.

Young men's love then lies not truly in their hearts,
but in their eyes.—*Shaks.*

PRIVET.—*Ligustrum*.—Mildness.

You bear a gentle mind, and heavenly blessings follow such creatures.—*Shaks.*

PEACH BLOSSOM.—*Amygdalus Persica*.—I am your captive.

No warning of the approaching flame,
Swiftly, like sudden death it came;
I loved the moment I beheld.—*Granville.*

Seasons for Loving.

BY WM. CULLEN BRYANT.

Dost thou idly ask to hear
At what gentle seasons
Nymphs relent, when lovers near
Press the tenderest reasons?
Ah, they give their faith too oft
To the careless woer;
Maidens hearts are always soft,
Would that men's were truer!

Woo the fair one, when around
Early birds are singing;
When o'er the fragrant ground
Early flowers are springing;
When the brookside, bank and grove
All with blossoms laden,
Shine with beauty, breathe of love—
Woo the timid maiden.

Woo her, when with rosy blush,
Summer eve is sinking;
When on rills that softly gush,
Stars are softly twinkling;
When thro' boughs that knit the bower,
Moonlight gleams are stealing;
Woo her, till the gentle hour
Wakes a gentler feeling.

Woo her when autumnal dyes
Tinge the woody mountain;
When the drooping foliage lies,
In the half choked fountain;
Let the scene, that tells how fast,
Youth is passing over,
Warn her, ere her bloom is past,
To secure her lover.

Woo her, when the north winds call
At the lattice nightly;
When within the cheerful hall,
Blaze the faggots brightly;
While the wintry tempest round
Sweeps the landscape hoary,
Sweeter in her ear shall sound
Love's delightful story.

Q-

QUAMOCLIT.—Cypress Vine.—Busy Body.

Busy bodies and intermeddlers are a dangerous sort
of people to have to do withal.—*L' EStrange.*

QUEEN'S ROCKET, OR DAME'S VIOLET.—*Hesperis Matronalis*.—You are the Queen of Coquets.

Like kings, we lose the conquests gained before,
By vain ambition still to make them more.—*Pope*.

The Coquet.

SHE knew her eyes had power to lure
Devoted hearts to wear her chain,
Who would her fleeting frowns endure
To win her witching smiles again;
Yet secretly she thought of one,
To love when all the rest were gone.

And still she twin'd her airy chain
Closely around each captive heart,
Alarm'd their fears and soothed their pain,
By turns with all her sex's art—
But most she triumph'd over one
Who would have lov'd when all were gone.

And some her chain would lightly wear,
And match her wiles with equal art,
Content her changeful smile to share,
Nor hope to touch so vain a heart.
Among them all there was but one
Who truly loved when hope was gone.

And some there were, too proud to bow
 To fickle beauty's tyrant chain,
 Who scorn'd to ask a heartless vow,
 And could not love a thing so vain—
 And so they left her, one by one,
 Till all save one alone, were gone.

And did *he* then his suit prefer?
 And did she listen to his vow?
 No, lady, he *had* worshipp'd her,
 But he could only pity now.
 He scorn'd the love that could be won
 Only because the rest were gone!

R.

RAGGED ROBIN.—*Lychnis Flos Cuculi*.—Wit.

With Cupid's arrow she hath Dian's wit.—*Shaks.*

RANUNCULUS.—*Ranunculus*.—I am dazzled by your charms.

Bright as the sun, her eyes the gazers strike.—*Pope.*

ROSE CHAMPION.—*Agrostemma Coronaria*.—Only deserve my love.

My love is thine to teach.—*Shaks.*

ROSEMARY.—*Rosmarinus Officinale*.—Remembrance.

Keep this remembrance for thy Julia's sake.—*Shaks.*

RUE.—*Ruta*.—Disdain.

And she I love, or laughs at all my pain,
 Or knows her worth too well and pays me with disdain.—*Dryden.*

ROSE, UNIQUE.—Call me not beautiful.

Since that my beauty cannot please his eye,
I'll weep what's left away, and weeping die.—*Shaks.*

ROSE, WHITE.—I am worthy of you.

My sufferings for you make your heart my due.
Dryden.

ROSE, WHITE AND WITHERED.—Transient Impressions.

Quickly withered like your love away.

ROSEBUD, WHITE.—A heart that is ignorant of love.

A pure unspotted heart, never yet tainted with love.
Shaks.

ROSE, THORNLESS.—Lady, deign to smile.

Do not blast my springing hopes,
Which thy kind hand has planted in my soul.—*Rowe.*

ROSE, MAIDEN'S BLUSH.—If you love me, you will find me out.

I do betray myself with blushes.—*Shaks.*

ROSEBUD, RED.—You are young and beautiful.

She looks like morning roses newly washed in dew.
Shaks.

ROSE, DAMASK.—*Rosa Damascena*.—Freshness.

Fresh as the morn, and as the season fair.—*Pope.*

ROSE, MOSS.—Superior Merit.

Behold the first in virtue as in face.—*Pope.*

ROSE, BURGUNDY.—Unconscious Beauty.

Doubts the beauty, which she doubts alone,
Which dazzles every eye except her own.—*Hayley.*

ROSE, GREVILLE SUPERB.—*Rose Grevelli*.—Grace.

Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eye.
In every gesture dignity and love.—*Milton.*

ROSEBUD, MOSS.—Charming.

Where's the power that charms us so?
In the soul or in the eye?—*Waller.*

ROSE, YELLOW.—*R. Sulphurea.*—The decrease of love on
better acquaintance.

The warmest love may sink by slow decay.

ROSE, HUNDRED LEAVED.—*R. Centifolia.*—Pride.

I will instruct my sorrow to be proud.—*Shaks.*

ROSE, CINNAMON.—*R. Cinamonea.*—Love at first sight.

Whoever loved that loved not at first sight?—*Shaks.*

ROSE, YORK AND LANCASTER.—*R. Versicolor.*—War.

Such war of white and red within her cheeks.—*Shaks.*

ROSE, FULLBLOWN.—*Rosa.*—Beauty.

Beauty for use too rich, for earth too dear.—*Shaks.*



The Rose.

BY HON. C. F. FOX.

THE Rose, the sweetly blooming Rose,
Ere from the tree 'tis torn,
Is like the charm which beauty shows,
In life's exulting morn!

But oh! how soon its sweets are gone,
How soon it withering lies!
So, when the eve of life comes on,
Sweet beauty fades and dies:

Then since the fairest form that's made,
 Soon withering we shall find,
 Let us possess what ne'er will fade,
 The beauties of the mind.

S.

SWEET SCABIOUS.—The mourning bride.—I have lost all.
 With whom, alas! I fondly hoped to know
 The humble walks of happiness below.—*Rogers.*

SWEETWILLIAM.—*Dianthus Barbatus*.—Finesse.
 And griefs, alas! that may not speak,
 Earn poor relief by feigning—*B. Chester.*

SWEETBRIAR.—*Rosa Suaveolens*.—Simplicity.
 I am as true as truth's simplicity.—*Shaks.*

SNOWBALL.—*Viburnum Obulus*.—To bind.
 To bind our loves in a holy band.—*Shaks.*

SCARLET LYCHNIS.—*L. Chalcedonica*.—Lamp with a
 flame.—Sunbeam'd eyes.
 Here love lights its constant lamp.—*Milton.*

SNAPDRAGON.—*Antirrhinum*.—Presumption.
 Minds somewhat raised by false presumptuous hope.
Milton.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM.—*Ornithogalum*.—Reconciliation.
 Lovers quarrels oft in pleasing concord end—*Milton.*

ST. JOHN'S WORT.—*Hypericum*.—Superstition.
 Have I loved him next heaven,
 Been out of fondness superstitious to him,
 And am I thus rewarded?—*Shaks.*

SWALLOW WORT.—*Asclepias Tuberosa*.—Cure for the heart-ache.

The miserable have no other medicine but only hope.

SAGE.—Esteem.

His self-esteem exceeds all bounds.—*Prima*.

SPEEDWELL.—*Veronica*.—Female fidelity.

Oh! woman's love's a holy light,
And when 'tis kindled ne'er can die.

SWAMP MAGNOLIA.—*Magnolia Glauca*.—Reward of Merit.

Urge your success, deserve a lasting name!
She'll crown a constant and a grateful flame!

Roscommon.

SCOTCH FIR.—Elevation.

My proud ambition vaults towards heaven.—*Black*.

SPIDER WORT.—*Tradescantia*.—I esteem but do not love you.

There's something tells me, (but it is not love)
I would not lose you.—*Shaks*.

SYRINGA CAROLINA.—*Philadelphus Inodorous*.—Disappointment.

Bright blown hopes dispersed in air.—*M. I. L.*

SUNFLOWER.—*Helianthus*.—False riches.

Away with your love that is measured with gold:
Deemest thou that hearts can be bought and sold.—*L.*

SWEET VIOLET.—Modesty.

Her modesty all other maids excels.—*Beck*.

SNOWDROP.—*Galanthus Nivalis*.—Refinement.

Love refines the thoughts, and hath his seat in reason.
Milton.

My Choice.

There is a light within her eye, that fires every gaze,
And a rosy smile upon her lip that a joyous heart betrays:
And a fairy frolic in her form that makes each motion seem
As graceful as the bounding course of a laughing mountain stream.

The long and jetty lash that hides the deep eyes' blacker hue—

The rival roses in her cheek, her white brow's veins of blue,
Her gentle and her joyous laugh, and the music of her voice
Have won my spirit unto her, and she shall be *my choice*.

Her spirit is all gentleness, and yet her bearing high,
And passionate thoughts sleep sweetly in the circle of her eye;

A pride as pure as delicate seems in her breast to dwell,
And breathes around her form the charm and magic of a spell.

So gentle, not a shaft of wit in malice does she dip,
And satire's self comes smilingly and sweetly from her lip.
And her look and tone, whene'er I meet, they make my heart rejoice,

And win my spirit unto her, and she shall be *my choice*.

There may be eyes as deeply dark, and brows as lofty too,
And cheeks as softly blended, and as beautiful of hue;
And gentle hearts, with gentle thoughts, and gentleness of words;
And voices like to hers, that mock the music of spring birds.

I think there may be such, and yet I scarcely can say why
 They passed by me, as in a dream they passed me idly by—
 But she can wield me with a word, one tone of her soft
 low voice—

She hath won my proud soul unto her, and she shall be
my choice.

T.

TULIP, RED.—A Declaration of Love.

Who could refrain that had a heart to love, and cour-
 age to make his love known?—*Shaks.*

THORN APPLE.—*Datura Stramonium.*—Deceitful charms.

Ah! that deceit should steal such gentle shapes.
Shaks.

TUBEROSE.—*Polyanthus Tuberosa.*—*Le plus loin.*—*Le plus cher.*

How wayward is this foolish love.—*Shaks.*

THYME.—*Thymus.*—Activity.

I would chide hasty-footed time for parting us.
Shaks.

THISTLE, HOLY.—*Centaurea Benedicta.*—Misanthropy.

He ponders on the world—abhors the whole.—*Rogers.*

TULIP.—*Tulipa.*—Ambition.

The heart is woman's world. It is there her ambition
 strives for empire.—*Sketch Book.*

Love and Ambition.

BY MISS S. STRICKLAND.

Love, laughing to Ambition, said,
 " Resign thine iron crown to me !"
 The mighty conqueror shook his head:
 " My bride is Immortality !"

With that the urchin drew his bow,
 And, smiling, fix'd his keenest dart;
 So true the aim, so sure the blow,
 It struck the tyrant to the heart

The laurel wreath lies all unbound,
 The banner in the dust is furled,
 The trumpet spreads no terrors round;
 What now to him is all the world ?

V.

VIOLET, WHITE.—Modesty.

Sweet as spring-time flowers.—*Shaks.*

VENUS' LOOKING-GLASS.—*Campanula Speculum.*—Flattery.

He does me double wrong who wounds with the flatteries of his tongue.

VIRGIN'S BOWER.—*Clematis.*—Filial Affection.

The sight an image brought of his own filial love.

Dryden.

VIOLET, BLUE.—*Viola Odorata.*—Love.

For thee I'll lock up all the gates of love.—*Shaks..*

The Violet.

BY MISS LANDON.

WHY better than the lady rose
Love I this little flower?
Because its fragrant leaves are those
I loved in childhood's hour.

Though many a flower may win my praise,
The Violet has my love;
I did not pass my childish days
In garden or in grove.

My garden was the window-seat,
Upon whose edge was set
A little vase—the fair, the sweet—
It was the Violet.

It was my pleasure and my pride;—
How I did watch its growth!
For health and bloom what plans I tried,
And often injured both!

I placed it in the summer shower,
I placed it in the sun;
And ever at the evening hour,
My work seemed half undone

The broad leaves spread, the small buds grew,
How slow they seemed to be!
And last there came a tinge of blue,—
'Twas worth the world to me.

At length the perfume fill'd the room,
 Shed from their purple wreath;
 No flower has now so rich a bloom,
 Has now so sweet a breath.

I gathered two or three—they seemed
 Such rich gifts to bestow;
 So precious in my sight, I deemed
 That all must think them so.

Ah! who is there but would be fain
 To be a child once more;
 If future years could bring again
 All that they brought before?

My heart's world has been long o'erthrown,
 It is no more of flowers—
 Their bloom is past, their breath is flown:
 Yet I recall those hours.

Let nature spread her loveliest,
 By spring or summer nurs'd;
 Yet still I love the Violet best,
 Because I loved it first.

W.

WOODBINE.—*Lonicera*.—Fraternal Affection.

I loved Ophelia; forty thousand brothers could not,
 with all their quantity of love, make up my sum.

Shaks.

WATER LILY.—Chastity.

Be thou as pure as ice, as chaste as snow, thou shalt
 not escape calumny.—*Shaks.*

WHEAT.—Riches.

The golden harvest lovers fondly reap.—*Taylor*.

WHITE OAK.—Independence.

All independence Love cannot withstand.—*Smythe*.

WALLFLOWER.—Cherianthus Cheiri.—Fidelity in Misfortune.

Be good and friendly still, and oft return.—*Milton*.

WEeping WILLOW.—Salix Babylonica.—Forsaken.

Prevent his falsehood, and forsake him first.—*Phillips*.

The Forsaken.

I KNEW him not—I sought him not—

He was my father's guest;

I gave him not one smile more kind

Than those I gave the rest :

He sat beside me at the board,

The choice was not my own,

But oh! I never heard a voice

With half so sweet a tone.

And at the dance again we met,

Again I was his choice,

Again I heard the tender tone

Of that beguiling voice;

I sought him not—he led me forth

From all the fairest there,

And told me he had never seen

A face he thought so fair.

Ah! wherefore did he tell me this?
His praises made me vain;
And, when he left me, how I long'd
To hear that voice again!
I wonder'd why my old pursuits
Had lost their wonted charm,
And why the path was dull, unless
I leant upon his arm.

Alas! I might have guess'd the cause;
For what could make me shun
My parents' cheerful dwelling-place
To wander all alone?
And what could make me braid my hair,
And study to improve
The form that he had deign'd to praise?
What *could* it be but love?

Oh! little knew I of the world,
And less of man's career;
I thought each smile was kindly meant,
Each word of praise sincere.
His sweet voice spoke of endless love—
I listened and believed,
And little dreamt how oft before
That sweet voice had deceived.

He smiles upon another now,
And in the same sweet tone
He breathes to her those winning words
I once thought all my own.

Oh! why is she so beautiful?
 I cannot blame his choice.
 Nor can I doubt she will be won
 By that beguiling voice.

Y.

YARROW.—*Achillea Millefolium*.—To Cure.

Who loves, raves—'tis youth's frenzy—but the cure
 Is bitterer still.—*Byron*.

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“The Cure is Bitterer Still.”

OH, for one hour, one blissful hour,
 Like those my young heart knew,
 When all my dreams of future joy
 From love their coloring drew;
 I deemed affection then might be
 The very life of life to me,
 Alas! 'twas source of every ill,
 And yet—the cure is bitterer still.

I loved—oh, fearful is the strength
 Of woman's love combined
 With all the spirit's high-wrought powers,
 The energies of mind:

Such deep devotedness as feels
The Indian when he humbly kneels
Before his idol's car, to meet
A death of rapture at his feet,
Such love was mine—tho' fraught with ill,
The cure, the cure is bitterer still.

Oh, grief beyond all other griefs!
To feel the slow decay
Of love and hope within the heart,
Ere youth be passed away—
To know that life must henceforth be
A voyage o'er a tideless sea,
No ebb nor flow of hopes and fears
To vary the dull waste of years:
Oh, love may be life's chiefest ill,
Yet ah! the cure is bitterer still.

Floral Vocabulary.

<i>Acacia, Yellow</i>	Concealed Love.
<i>Acacia, Rose</i>	Elegance.
<i>Acacia</i> ,.....	Temperance.
<i>Acanthus</i> ,	The Arts.
<i>Aconite-leaved Crowfoot</i> ,	Lustre.
<i>Agnus Castus</i> ,.....	Coldness without Love.
<i>Agrimony</i> ,.....	Thankfulness.
<i>Alysum, Sweet</i>	Worth beyond Beauty.
<i>Allhea Frutex</i> ,.....	Consumed by Love.
<i>Almond</i> ,.....	Hope.
<i>Aloe</i> ,.....	Bitterness.
<i>Ambrosia</i> ,.....	Returned Affection.
<i>Angelica</i> ,.....	Inspiration.
<i>Amaranth</i> ,	Immortality.
<i>Amaranth, Globe</i> ,.....	Unchangeable.
<i>Angrec</i> ,.....	Royalty.
<i>Anemone</i> ,.....	Frailty.
<i>Apple-Blossom</i> ,	Fame speaks him good and great.
<i>Apocynum</i> ,	Falsehood.
<i>Ash</i> ,	Grandeur.
<i>Aspen Tree</i> ,	Sensibility.
<i>Aster</i> ,	Beauty in Retirement.
<i>Amaryllis</i> ,.....	Beautiful, but timid.
<i>Auricula, Scarlet</i> ,.....	Pride.
<i>Arum</i> ,	Ferocity and Deceit.
<i>Asphodel</i> ,.....	My Regrets follow you.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Bachelor's Button</i> ,.....	Hope in Misery.
<i>Balsam</i> ,.....	Impatience.
<i>Balm</i> ,.....	Social Intercourse
<i>Barberry</i> ,.....	Sourness.
<i>Basil</i> ,.....	Hatred.
<i>Beech</i> ,.....	Prosperity.
<i>Blue Bell</i> ,.....	Constancy.
<i>Bay Leaf</i> ,.....	I change but in dying.
<i>Bay Wreath</i> ,.....	The Reward of Merit.
<i>Betony</i> ,.....	Surprise.
<i>Bindweed</i> ,.....	Humility.
<i>Birch</i> ,.....	Gracefulness.
<i>Black Poplar</i> ,.....	Courage.
<i>Black Thorn</i> ,.....	Difficulty.
<i>Borage</i> ,.....	Bluntness.
<i>Box</i> ,.....	Stoicism.
<i>Broom</i> ,.....	Neatness.
<i>Buck Bean</i> ,.....	Calm Repose.
<i>Burdock</i> ,.....	Importunity.
<i>Buttercup</i> ,.....	Ingratitude.
<i>Calla</i> ,.....	Feminine Modesty.
<i>Calycanthus</i> ,.....	Benevolence.
<i>Candy Tuft</i> ,.....	Indifference.
<i>Canterbury Blue Bell</i> ,...	Gratitude.
<i>Cardinal's Flower</i> ,.....	Distinction.
<i>Carnation</i> ,.....	Disdain.
<i>Catchfly</i> ,.....	Artifice.
<i>Cedar Tree</i> ,.....	Strength.
<i>Chamomile</i> ,.....	Energy in Adversity
<i>Cherry Blossom</i> ,.....	Spiritual Beauty.
<i>Chestnut</i> ,.....	Render me Justice.
<i>China Aster</i> ,.....	Variety.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Foxglove</i> ,	I am ambitious for your sake.
<i>Fuchsia</i> ,.....	Confiding Love.
<i>Geranium</i> , <i>Nutmeg</i>	I shall meet you.
“ <i>Lemon</i>	A Tranquil Mind.
“ <i>Oak</i>	True Friendship.
“ <i>Rose</i>	Preference.
“ <i>Scarlet</i>	Consolation.
“ <i>Silver-leaved</i> ,.....	Recall.
“ <i>Ivy</i> ,	Bridal Favor.
<i>Gilly Flower</i> ,	Lasting Beauty.
<i>Glory Flower</i> ,	Glorious Beauty.
<i>Golden Rod</i> ,.....	Encouragement.
<i>Grape</i> , <i>Wild</i>	Charity.
<i>Grass</i> ,.....	Utility.
<i>Harebell</i> ,	Grief.
<i>Hawthorn</i> ,.....	Hope.
<i>Hazel</i> ,	Reconciliation.
<i>Heath</i> ,	Solitude.
<i>Heart's-ease</i> , or <i>Pansy</i> ,	Think of me.
<i>Heliotrope</i> ,	Devotion.
<i>Hellebore</i> ,.....	Calumny.
<i>Holly</i> ,	Domestic Happiness.
<i>Hollyhock</i> ,.....	Fruitfulness.
<i>Honesty</i> or <i>Satin Flower</i> ,	Honesty.
<i>Honeysuckle</i> ,	Bonds of Love.
<i>Hops</i> ,.....	Injustice.
<i>Horse Chestnut</i> ,	Luxuriancy.
<i>Horn Bean</i> ,.....	Ornament.
<i>House Leek</i> ,	Vivacity.
<i>Houstonia</i> ,	Content.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>China Pink</i> ,	Aversion.
<i>Chrysanthemum</i> ,	Cheerfulness.
<i>Clematis</i> ,	Mental Beauty.
<i>Columbine</i> ,	Folly.
<i>Collisfoot</i> ,	Maternal Care.
<i>Coriander</i> ,	Concealed Worth.
<i>Coreopsis</i> ,	Ever cheerful.
<i>Cowslip</i> ,	Native Grace.
<i>Crocus</i> ,	Youthful Gladness.
<i>Crown Imperial</i> ,	Majesty.
<i>Cypress</i> ,	Mourning.
<i>Daffodil</i> ,	Delusive Hope.
<i>Dahlia</i> ,	Dignity and Elegance.
<i>Daisy</i> ,	Innocence.
<i>Dandelion</i> ,	Oracle.
<i>Dew Plant</i> ,	Serenade.
<i>Dogwood</i> ,	Durability.
<i>Dragon Plant</i> ,	Snare.
<i>Eglantine</i> ,	Poetry.
<i>Elder</i> ,	Compassion.
<i>Elm</i> ,	Dignity.
<i>Enchanter's Nightshade</i> ,	Fascination.
<i>Evergreen</i> ,	Poverty.
<i>Everlasting</i> ,	Unceasing Remembrance.
<i>Fennel</i> ,	Strength.
<i>Fern</i> ,	Sincerity.
<i>Fir</i> ,	Time.
<i>Flax</i> ,	Acknowledged Kindness.
<i>Flowering Reed</i> ,	Confidence in Heaven.
<i>Flower of an Hour</i> ,	Delicate Beauty.
<i>Forget-me-not</i> ,	True Love.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Hyacinth</i> ,	Game. Play.
<i>Hydrangea</i> ,	Heartlessness
<i>Ice Plant</i> ,	Your looks freeze me.
* <i>Iceland Moss</i> ,	Health.
<i>Iris</i> ,	A Message for you.
<i>Ivy</i> ,	Friendship.
<i>Jasmine, White</i>	Amiability.
" <i>Yellow</i>	Elegant Gracefulness.
<i>Jonquil</i> ,	Desire.
<i>Judas Tree</i> ,	Unbelief.
<i>Juniper</i> ,	Protection.
<i>Kennedia</i> ,	Mental Excellence.
<i>King-Cup</i> ,.....	I wish I was rich.
<i>Larburnum</i> ,	Pensive Beauty.
<i>Lady's Slipper</i> ,	Capricious Beauty.
<i>Larkspur</i> ,	Fickleness.
<i>Larch</i> ,	Boldness.
<i>Laurel</i> ,	Glory.
<i>Laurustinus</i> ,	I die if neglected.
<i>Lavender</i> ,	Acknowledgment.
<i>Lemon-Blossom</i> ,.....	Discretion.
<i>Lettuce</i> ,.....	Cold hearted.
<i>Lilac</i> ,.....	First Emotions of Love.
<i>Lily, White</i>	Purity and Modesty.
<i>Lily of the Valley</i> ,.....	Return of Happiness.
<i>Linden Tree</i> ,	Matrimony.
<i>Lobelia</i> ,	Malevolence.
<i>Locust</i> ,	Affection beyond the grave.
<i>London Pride</i> ,.....	Frivolity.

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<i>Lotus</i> ,	Estranged Love.
<i>Love-in-a-mist</i> ,	Perplexity.
<i>Love-in-a-puzzle</i> ,	Embarrassment.
<i>Love-lies-a-bleeding</i> , ..	Hopeless, not heartless.
<i>Lucern</i> ,	Life.
<i>Lupine</i> ,	Sorrow, Dejection.
<i>Mudwort, Rock</i> ,	Tranquillity.
<i>Maize</i> ,	Plenty.
<i>Mallow</i> ,	Sweet Disposition.
<i>Magnolia</i> ,	Love of Nature.
<i>Mandrake</i> ,	Rarity.
<i>Maple</i> ,	Reserve.
<i>Marvel of Peru</i> ,	Timidity.
<i>Marigold</i> ,	Inquietude.
<i>Meadow Saffron</i> ,	My best days are past.
<i>Meadow Sweet</i> ,	Uselessness.
<i>Mercury</i> ,	Goodness.
<i>Mezereon</i> ,	Desire to please.
<i>Mignonette</i> ,	Excellence and loveliness.
<i>Mimosa</i> ,	Sensitiveness.
<i>Mint</i> ,	Virtue.
<i>Missletoe</i> ,	I surmount all obstacles.
<i>Moonwort</i> ,	Forgetfulness.
<i>Motherwort</i> ,	Secret Love.
<i>Moss, Tuft of</i>	Maternal Love.
<i>Mulberry Tree</i> ,	Wisdom.
<i>Mushroom</i> ,	Suspicion.
<i>Mouse Ear</i> ,	Forget-me-not.
<i>Myrtle</i> ,	Love in absence.
<i>Narcissus</i> ,	Egotism.
<i>Nasturtium</i> ,	Patriotism.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Nettle</i> ,	Slander.
<i>Nightshade</i> ,	Dark Thoughts.
<i>Night-Blooming Cereus</i> ,	Transient Beauty.
<i>Nosegay</i> ,	Gallantry.
<i>Oak</i> ,	Hospitality.
<i>Oats</i> ,	Music.
<i>Oleander</i> ,	Beware.
<i>Olive Branch</i> ,	Peace.
<i>Orange Tree</i> ,	Generosity.
<i>Orange Flower</i> ,	Chastity.
<i>Orchis</i> ,	A Belle.
<i>Osier</i> ,	Frankness.
<i>Ox-Eye</i> ,	Obstacle.
<i>Palm</i> ,	Victory.
<i>Pansy, or Heart's-ease</i> ,	Think of me.
<i>Parsley</i> ,	Entertainment.
<i>Passion Flower</i> ,	Religious Superstition.
<i>Pea, Everlasting</i> ,	Wilt thou go with me.
" <i>Sweet</i> ,	Departure.
<i>Peach-Blossom</i> ,	I am your Captive.
<i>Pennyroyal</i> ,	Flee away.
<i>Peony</i> ,	Ostentation.
<i>Periwinkle</i> ,	Sweet Remembrances.
<i>Peruvian Heliotrope</i> , . . .	Infatuation.
<i>Phlox</i> ,	We are united.
<i>Pimpernel</i> ,	Assignment.
<i>Pine Apple</i> ,	You are perfect
<i>Pine</i> ,	Pity.
<i>Pink</i> ,	Purity of Affection.
<i>Plane Tree</i> ,	Genius.
<i>Plum Tree</i> ,	Keep your Promises.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Polyanthus</i> ,	Confidence.
<i>Pomegranate</i> ,	Foolishness.
<i>Poppy</i> ,	Consolation of Sleep.
<i>Prickly Pear</i> ,	Satire.
<i>Primrose</i> ,	Early Youth.
" <i>Evening</i>	I am more constant than thou.
<i>Privet</i> ,	Prohibition.
<i>Pyrus Japonie</i> ,	Fairies' Fire.
<i>Petunia</i> ,	Thou art less proud than they deem thee.
<i>Quanoclet</i> ,	Busybody.
<i>Queen's Rocket</i> ,	Queen of Coquettes.
<i>Ragged Robin</i> ,	Dandy.
<i>Red Bay</i> ,	Love's Memory.
<i>Red Mulberry</i> ,	Wisdom.
<i>Ranunculus</i> ,	You are radiant with charms.
<i>Rose</i> ,	Beauty.
<i>Rose Bud</i> ,	A young Girl.
<i>Rose, Austrian</i>	Very lovely.
" <i>Bridal</i>	Happy Love.
" <i>Bergundy</i>	Simplicity and Beauty
" <i>Damask</i>	Bashful Love.
" <i>Monthly</i>	Beauty ever new.
" <i>Moss</i>	Pleasure without alloy.
" <i>Multiflora</i>	Grace.
" <i>White</i>	Silent Sadness.
" <i>Musk</i>	Capricious Beauty.
" <i>Yellow</i> ,	Infidelity.
<i>Rosemary</i> ,	Remembrance.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Rush</i> ,.....	Decility.
<i>Rue</i> ,	Purification.
<i>Saffron</i> ,.....	Excess is dangerous.
<i>Sage</i> ,	Domestic Virtues.
<i>Scabious</i> ,.....	Unfortunate Attachment.
<i>Scarlet Ipomœa</i> ,.....	Attachment.
<i>Sensitive Plant</i> ,	Sensitiveness.
<i>Serpentine Cactus</i> ,.....	Horror.
<i>Snap Dragon</i> ,	Presumption.
<i>Snow-Ball</i> ,	Thoughts of Heaven.
<i>Snowdrop</i> ,	Consolation.
<i>Spider Wort</i> ,.....	Transient happiness.
<i>Southern Wood</i> ,	Jesting.
<i>St. John's Wort</i> ,	Animosity.
<i>Star of Bethlehem</i> ,.....	The light of our path.
<i>Strawberry</i> ,	Perfect excellence.
<i>Striped Pink</i> ,	Refusal.
<i>Sumach</i> ,.....	Splendor.
<i>Sun-Flower</i> ,.....	False riches.
<i>Sweet Brier</i> ,.....	Poetry.
<i>Sweet Flag</i> ,.....	Fitness.
<i>Sweet Sultan</i> ,.....	Felicity.
<i>Sweet-scented Tussilage</i> ,	Justice shall be done you.
<i>Sweet William</i> ,.....	A Smile.
<i>Syringa</i> ,.....	Memory.
<i>Tamarisk</i> ,	Crime.
<i>Tansy</i> ,.....	Resistance.
<i>Teasel</i> ,	Misanthropy.
<i>Thistle</i> ,.....	I will never forget thee.
<i>Thorn Apple</i> ,.....	Deceitful Charms.
<i>Thyme</i> ,	Activity.

FLORAL VOCABULARY.

<i>Tremella</i> ,.....	Resistance.
<i>Trumpet Flower</i> ,.....	Separation.
<i>Tulip</i> ,.....	Declaration of love.
<i>Valerian</i> ,.....	Accommodating disposition.
<i>Venus's Looking-glass</i> ,.	Flattery.
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<i>Verbena</i> ,.....	Sensibility.
<i>Vine</i> ,	Intoxication.
<i>Violet, White</i>	Candor.
" <i>Blue</i>	Modesty.
" <i>Yellow</i>	Rural happiness.
<i>Virgin's Bower</i> ,.....	Filial Love.
<i>Wall Flower</i> ,.....	Fidelity in misfortune.
<i>Wake Robin</i> ,	Ardor.
<i>Water Lily</i> ,.....	Purity of heart.
<i>Willow, Weeping</i>	Forsaken.
<i>Wax Plant</i> ,.....	Susceptibility.
<i>Wheat</i> ,	Riches.
<i>Winter Cherry</i> ,.....	Deception.
<i>Witch Hazel</i> ,.....	A spell.
<i>Wood Sorrel</i> ,	Joy.
<i>Woodbine</i> ,	Fraternal love.
<i>Wormwood</i> ,	Absence.
<i>Yarrow</i> ,	Thou alone can'st cure.
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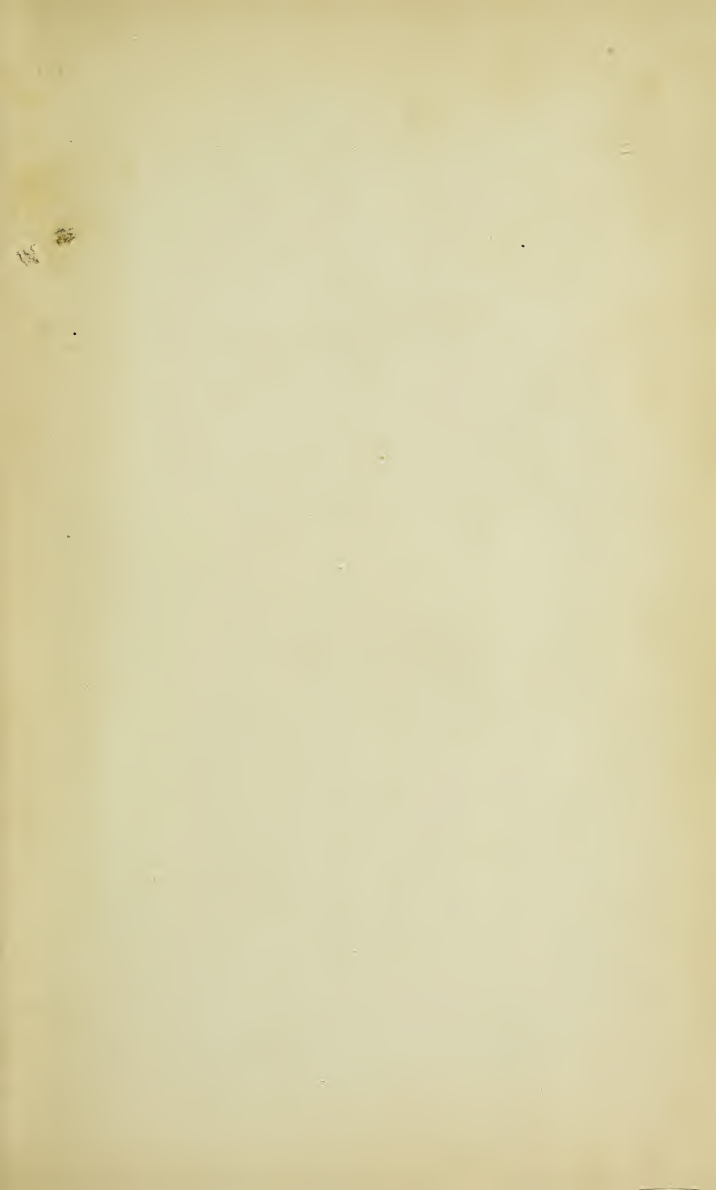
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